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CAMILLA'S ANGUISH OVER

BY **RUSSELL MYERS** Royal Editor

THE Queen has spoken for the first time of her turmoil in keeping King Charles' cancer diagnosis private.

Camilla revealed that just days before Charles went public with his illness in early 2024, she visited patients at a cancer care centre.

She admitted: "It was quite difficult. I was just longing to let it out."

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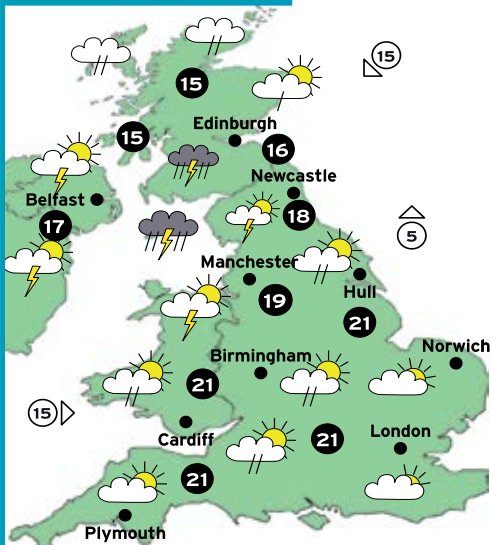


Queen tells of ordeal. Inset, King yesterday

KING'S CANCER

Queen speaks for the first time about keeping illness private

THE WEATHER



TODAY Rainy north, sunny south east, showers return over

England starts with rain in the north and sunny intervals in central regions. Afternoon brings rain showers in the south west, while the evening sees mostly sunny skies in the south east. Rain returns overnight.

5-day forecast

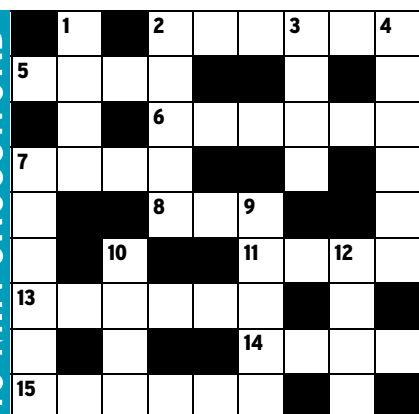
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TUESDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 6 Hedge, 7 Wan, 8 Name names, 13 Vestments, 18 Sip, 19 Nonet. Down: 1 Shun, 2 Adam, 3 Rein, 4 Swim, 5 Snus, 9 Ape, 10 EDT, 11 Abe, 12 Eat, 13 Vast, 14 Sups, 15 Many, 16 No-no, 17 Sita.

THE LOTTERY

LAST NIGHT'S EUROMILLIONS: 3, 9, 38, 40, 50
Lucky Stars: 6 & 10. No jackpot winners
THUNDERBALL: 1, 3, 9, 15, 23
Thunderball: 12. No £500k winners
HEALTH LOTTERY: 28, 31, 33, 44, 49
Bonus: 6
ALL OR NOTHING: 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19
MONDAY'S SET FOR LIFE: 13, 14, 23, 33, 36
Life Ball: 10. One winner of £10k a month for 30 years

RULE CHANGE COULD BLOCK PC'S KILLERS

Burnham tasks Justice Secretary to stop early release

BY **ALEXANDER BROWN**
Assistant Political Editor

PC Andrew Harper's killers could be blocked from being freed by barring a type of manslaughter from the early release scheme.

Andy Burnham has asked Justice Secretary Alex Norris to find a solution to stop Albert Bowers and Jessie Cole from being freed under the programme tackling overcrowding in prisons.

PC Harper was 28 when he was fatally dragged down a road while responding to a quad bike theft in Sulhamstead, Berkshire, in August 2019.

Cole and Bowers, then aged 17, were passengers in the fleeing car. They were sentenced to 13 years each in July 2020 for "unlawful act manslaughter".

This means they committed a crime knowing it could cause harm, even if it could not be proven that they intended to kill the victim.

Ministry of Justice officials were warned it is not possible to secure a carve-out from early release solely for the pair because it would be subject to legal challenge.

According to The Times, the government is looking at stopping the early releases of all those who committed unlawful act manslaughter.

This would likely include most of the 470 people who are serving sentences for manslaughter and are eligible to be freed. Those jailed for other forms of manslaughter, such as gross negligence, would still be released.

The PM said yesterday: "I [have] asked the Justice Secretary to develop a plan to maximise public safety and minimise the early release of prisoners."

More than one million people have signed a petition to keep the killers in prison. The Ministry of Justice said: "We are fast-tracking a plan to keep more of the most serious offenders behind bars."

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PC Andrew Harper was 28 when he died



"I have asked the Justice Secretary to develop a plan to minimise the early release"

ANDY BURNHAM ON LAW



Jessie Cole and Albert Bowers, 2019



Chief of Staff Susie Wiles

'Minimal exchange' in Andy's fake texts

BY **SOPHIE HUSKISSON**
Political Correspondent

ANDY Burnham yesterday said he is not embarrassed about exchanging messages with someone pretending to be one of Donald Trump's closest advisers.

The PM said there was "nothing of consequence" discussed and he did the right thing in reporting it.

Mr Burnham is understood to have engaged with messages sent by someone impersonating Susie Wiles, the White House's Chief of Staff, who has often been the victim of people posing as her.

Mr Burnham communicated with them before becoming suspicious.

But he insisted: "There was a minimal exchange."

HANDLED

"Nothing of consequence, and actually, quickly I realised that this needed to be reported. So I handled it in the right way. There was a minimal exchange of information of zero consequence."

One person informed of the incident told the Politico website a "few messages" were exchanged after the PM entered Downing Street but insisted they were "of no significance".

Downing Street refused to comment on specific details on Monday.

The British embassy in Washington DC raised the incident with the White House over concerns Ms Wiles had been hacked.

A White House official said: "This incident had nothing to do with the Chief of Staff's devices being hacked."

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At Leo Burdock's fish and chip shop in Dublin



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At Wetherspoons in Dereham, Norfolk



TOM CRUISE
Posing with staff at Restaurant Lovage in Bakewell, Derbyshire

Surprise as down-to-Earth celebs spotted 'in the wild'

Famous faces in unusual places

BY **JORDAN LLOYD BECK**

ALICE Cooper surprised locals by turning up at a Scarborough market this week but he's not the only celeb to have popped up somewhere unexpected.

Action hero Tom Cruise makes it his Mission Possible to eat locally when he's filming – and posed with staff at Restaurant Lovage in Bakewell, Derbys, after one dinner.

Superstar Rihanna took the Tube to her own concert at London's O2, despite having private transport available, and didn't look too Disturbia-ed by the experience.

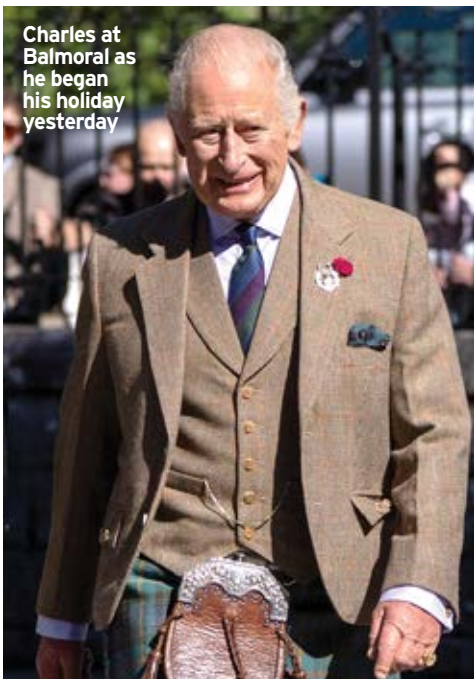
Hollywood star John Travolta had a quiet Saturday Night Fever at a Wetherspoons in Dereham, Norfolk, while rapper Drake once surprised staff by ducking into a Co-op store in Birmingham. Bruce "The Boss" Springsteen posed for photos and signed copies of his albums when he visited Leo Burdock's fish and chip shop in Dublin. He must have had a Hungry Heart...



Alice Cooper in Scarborough

KING'S DIAGNOSIS KEPT QUIET AS

Charles at Balmoral as he began his holiday yesterday



BY RUSSELL MYERS Royal Editor

QUEEN Camilla says she struggled not to talk about the King's cancer diagnosis before he went public, admitting: "I was just longing to let it out."

In a new interview, Camilla said it was emotionally difficult to deal with news of her husband's illness in early 2024, especially while she carried on performing royal duties.

And this was made even more challenging when she visited a Maggie's cancer support centre in the days before the news was announced to the country.

The Queen said: "I remember coming to see a Maggie's [support centre] just after the King being diagnosed. Nobody could say anything at the time. That was quite difficult.

"I almost said something but, you know, I felt that it wasn't the time to say."

Camilla, 79, is president of the Maggie's charity and talked to visitors at its centre while her husband's diagnosis sank in.

She said: "I looked at everybody who was suffering and all the relations, and I think it made me realise even more how important these places were.

COPING

"It had never really come back to roost at home, and suddenly your husband is diagnosed, and you think 'Goodness, I've been talking to all these people and now I'm the one with some relation, who's got to help to look after my poor husband and try and understand it all'."

In a short film made in collaboration between Buckingham Palace and Maggie's to mark the charity's 30th anniversary, Camilla also spoke of helping to look after Charles but recalled how the monarch ploughed on after his diagnosis as his way of coping.

Maggie's chief executive Dame Laura Lee was filmed in conversation with Camilla at Clarence House.

Camilla officially launched its new centre at the Royal Free Hospital in London on January 31, 2024, while the King was recovering from treatment for an enlarged prostate. It was revealed in the film that Charles had, by that time, already been

Charles inspects the regiment's Shetland pony



“

Nothing stops my husband. He just said, 'This is my way, I'll cope with it'

QUEEN CAMILLA IN INTERVIEW

diagnosed with an undisclosed form of cancer.

The Palace announced the news to the nation five days later on February 5 and Dame Laura told the Queen it must have taken courage to open the centre at that time.

But Camilla replied: "I was just longing to let it out but obviously I couldn't." She said of chatting to visitors at the centre: "I was almost questioning them.

"I didn't want to pry too deeply. But normally when I went in, I was just talking to them, but I don't know, I felt it was much more deep."

Dame Laura said people had been coming to the centres after seeing the King being open about his illness while living a productive life. There has been a 12% increase in men visiting

I longed to let it all out but I couldn't... it was very difficult... my poor husband

Queen Camilla on Charles' cancer news

Maggie's sites since. Charles returned to public-facing engagements in April 2024, less than three months after his treatment began.

He is known for his work ethic and the Queen has spoken previously about how he "won't slow down and won't do what he's told".

Camilla said in the video, which is available

on YouTube: "Look at my husband. Nothing stopped him. He just said 'This is my way. I'm going to cope with it.'"

The Queen recorded the seven-minute film to highlight the vital support Maggie's offers cancer patients and their relatives – and especially to men who may be more reluctant to

Loving wife who calmly steered

THERE is something revealing about the Queen's confession that, before the King's cancer diagnosis was made public, she was "just longing to let it out" on a visit to a cancer centre.

This is a loving wife, terrified for her husband, who had to

RUSSELL MYERS



keep calm and carry on as if everything was perfectly fine.

Visiting Maggie's cancer care centre at the Royal Free

Hospital in January 2024, Camilla offered comfort to cancer patients and their relatives, as she had done many times before.

But in that moment, she had a deep understanding of the devastation that had brought

WIFE CARRIED ON ROYAL DUTIES

Camilla spoke with Dame Laura for the Maggie's cancer charity



Queen opens up in new interview

“Suddenly your husband is diagnosed and you think, ‘Now I’m the one who’s got to try to understand it all’

QUEEN CAMILLA RECALLING CHARLES'S CANCER NEWS

seek help. Maggie's has 27 centres in the grounds of major NHS cancer hospitals and the Queen wants every hospital to have one.

Dame Laura said: “To hear her speak so powerfully of her own emotions when visiting our Royal Free centre, while knowing about His Majesty's diagnosis, is a huge honour. The King's

openness about his diagnosis has undoubtedly helped others to be more open themselves.

“To now hear the Queen's understandable and natural response as a wife shines a light on why it is so important that family and friends also get the support they need.”

The 77-year-old monarch is still receiving

cancer treatment and is said to be making good progress. Yesterday, the King officially started his Balmoral holiday, receiving a ceremonial welcome outside the Scottish Highlands castle.

Dressed in a kilt, he inspected a guard of honour formed by the Balaklava Company, 5th Battalion the Royal Regiment of Scotland and met its mascot, a tiny Shetland pony called Corporal Cruachan IV.

During his summer stay, the King is expected to welcome up to 30 family members to spend time with him, including the Prince and Princess of Wales and their three children.

The King has been in Scotland for several weeks already this month, enjoying his annual stay at the Castle of Mey.

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the ship through roughest seas

so many of them through the doors. “I almost said something”, she has now said.

Of course, she could not. At the same time the Princess of Wales was also diagnosed with cancer, and stepped away from public duties, as did her

husband Prince William as he cared for their young children.

Suddenly, Camilla was thrust further into the spotlight as the central figure representing the monarchy, while also supporting the King privately. We cannot ignore

what a frightening time this would have been for her and the rest of the family.

There has never been any statement about Camilla's own turmoil or her sacrifice.

Her contribution deserves far greater recognition.

Di brother's book marks 30yrs since Paris death

BY JENNIFER NEWTON Deputy Royal Editor

PRINCESS Diana's brother is releasing a bombshell memoir about his sister that he says will take on “untruths” about her death.

Earl Spencer has written *Swan Song: Diana, My Sister* about the late Princess of Wales to mark 30 years since her death.

The book, described as extraordinarily moving and remarkably candid, is billed as telling Earl Spencer's “astonishing story of his life with Diana and the tragic week of her death”, and will mark the first time he has spoken at length about her life.

It is also expected to cover her childhood, her failed marriage to the now King Charles, and the tense days after she died following a car crash in Paris aged 36 in 1997.

At her funeral, Earl Spencer famously delivered a defiant eulogy at Westminster Abbey, which was broadcast to the world and drew applause, when he pointedly pledged Diana's “blood family” would protect princes William and Harry, who were teenagers at the time.

Announcing the book today, he said: “With the 30th anniversary of Diana's tragic death on the skyline, I've been inundated yet again with requests for interviews about my sister.

“This has convinced me to write down my own thoughts and memories, once and for all, rather than having the discomfort of again reading the opinions of others, many of which are based on untruths that have become accepted over time.

“The aim of this book is to tell the truth about Diana from her brother's perspective, just as I attempted to do when speaking at her funeral. As with my eulogy, I want to speak on Diana's behalf and do so in an openly positive way.

“I would be delighted if those too young to remember her in her heyday feel - after reading this - that they ‘get’ who she really was: a one-off, dynamic character, full of love, charisma and self-doubt, who gave life a hell of a go, and left the world a far better place, despite exiting the stage while still so young.”

Diana is buried at the Spencer family home Althorp, now run by Earl Spencer. Last month, Harry took his wife Meghan and his children Prince Archie and Princess Lilibet to the Northamptonshire estate.



Earl Spencer and, above, his tell-all book on Diana

EVERYONE IN: PM LAUNCHES DRIVE

BRIGHTON

Makeshift home in public shelter



BY **ASHLEY COWBURN**
Deputy Political Editor

ANDY Burnham has declared he will put an end to rough sleeping as he announces a national drive to give everyone on the streets an offer of a bed this winter.

The new Prime Minister said the scheme will "get everyone in for Christmas" with emergency accommodation and help rolled out across England later this year.

Downing Street said the areas with the greatest need will receive the largest share of a £442million package of support aimed at getting people out of the cold this winter.

Officials added that in the autumn, Mr Burnham will also convene a "first of its kind" national summit on ending rough sleeping.

They said it will bring together leaders from business, finance, health and faith communities to ask how they can all play a role.

Writing for The Mirror today, the Prime Minister said: "Ending rough sleeping is a moral mission for me. It always has been.

ACTION

"Growing up, I could see the effects of deindustrialisation on our streets.

"I saw what happened when good jobs disappeared and communities were left to pick up the pieces.

"And I learned early on that when things go wrong for a friend, a neighbour or even a stranger – in fact, especially a stranger – you don't just turn your back on them. You stick out your hand, you dust them off, and you help them get on."

In his first speech as Prime Minister outside No10 last month, Mr Burnham vowed to end the blight of rough sleeping.

He told the country: "I will soon go through that door behind me and issue my first instruction: to end rough sleeping in our country."

No10 said the commitment today will be backed by an additional £102million – on top of the £340million Mr Burnham announced during his first week in office.

It will be funded through uncommitted budgets at the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, officials added.

In a statement, Mr Burnham said: "No one should have to bed down in a doorway or outside a station.

"But we've seen it for so long that it feels like Westminster has started to accept it.

"I won't accept it. That's why my first instruction as Prime Minister was to end rough sleeping. And it's why today, we're getting started with a national drive to get everyone in for Christmas. We did it in the pandemic. We can do it again."

Housing Secretary Angela Rayner added: "When the Prime Minister pledged to end rough sleeping, we said we'd move urgently from words to action. Today, we're delivering on that promise.

"This funding will help people leave the streets behind, move into secure homes and get the support they need to rebuild their lives.

"Working alongside councils, mayors and charities, we're backing local areas to tackle rough sleeping at its roots, giving people the security, dignity and opportunity they deserve, and restoring hope to those who have been let

I was too scared to sleep and felt suicidal

SHE might have been a rough sleeper, but Victoria was often too scared for any shut-eye.

The 31-year-old said: "The minute men realised I was vulnerable and homeless, they would begin to offer me money to do things with them.

"I felt unsupported, alone and suicidal."

Victoria's harrowing experience – shared with the Single Homeless Project, which helped her get back on her feet – lays bare the hardship of those sleeping rough.

And, in particular, it shines a light on the vulnerability of women with no home.

A Mirror investigation in 2024 revealed how a charity census identified more than 1,000 women sleeping rough – nearly twice as many as government figures had earlier shown.

Lucy Campbell, assistant director at charity SHP, fears many are slipping through the cracks.

She said: "We're not likely to see them bedded down on the high street. They're not doing that because of fear of violence and that means they are at risk of being missed by any new initiatives that are put in place to get people off the streets."

Mr Burnham's not the first PM to talk big on homelessness.

Campaigner Kerri Douglas, who has slept rough, said: "I do have a bit of hope. I do think he's going to make a difference – but he's got high expectations in little timescales."

For those on the streets tonight, help cannot come soon enough – especially vulnerable woman like Victoria.



Victoria

A bed for the winter

» £442m to tackle rough sleeping
» Pandemic-style push for Christmas

CARDIFF

Tents outside empty unit



LEEDS

Man on streets



down for far too long." Earlier this year, official figures showed a record number of people slept rough on the streets of England in 2025.

According to the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government, there were 4,793 rough sleepers in the UK in autumn 2025 – a 3% hike on the previous year.

The record high also represents a grim 171% increase on 2010, when the snapshot figures approach was first introduced.

On a single night last autumn, almost half – 43% – of those sleeping rough were in London or the South East, the data shows.

The figures highlight the scale of the challenge Mr Burnham faces. Critics have also pointed to his record as Greater Manchester

Mayor. While rough sleeping did come down during his tenure, they began rising steadily again in line with the national picture.

Pressed on the figures last month, the new PM referred to Manchester's A Bed Every Night scheme, which aims to provide support to anyone sleeping rough in the region.

But he added: "We were the only place that

was doing it, and you won't be able to get the numbers down if you're the only place.

"It taught me that the only way is to do this together – everybody pulling in the same direction, 'Everyone In', as we did in the pandemic."

Housing charity Shelter described today's announcement as a "game-changing move and exactly the kind of bold leadership needed to

43% of those living rough were in London and the South East

4,793 people were sleeping rough in the autumn last year

TO HELP HOMELESS REBUILD LIVES

Hope scheme's not fake snooze

BY PHIL CARDY

ANDY Burnham had initial success in tackling homelessness during his decade as Mayor of Greater Manchester.

But local groups say his A Bed Every Night scheme was a victim of its own success, as people headed to the city to get help and accommodation.

But, despite the difficulties the government will face, they hope his plans to tackle the issue nationally are a success. Walking through Manchester today the number of tents on the pavements and down alleyways has been reduced massively.

Piccadilly Gardens - once a blight on the city - has now been cleaned up.

Jimmy Dunn, who helps run Lifeshare, a voluntary organisation that supports the homeless, said: "I



Andy Burnham with Jimmy

thought his statement on day one as Prime Minister was bold.

"When he started the scheme in Manchester, it started to work.

"But now obviously the numbers are up again and part of that is down to the success of the scheme. People came to Manchester because they heard about it. We've had people from Lancashire, Stoke, Birmingham."

Sitting outside a doorway on Market

Street in the centre of town, Michael said he had been homeless for around two months,

Asked about the PM's plans he said: "I'll believe it when I see it. We've heard it all before from politicians. It's a balancing act with the government - they only have a certain amount of money."



Michael says he's heard it all before from politicians

ANDY BURNHAM

PRIME MINISTER

“JUST after I was elected Mayor of Greater Manchester, I spent a bit of time out and about selling the Big Issue.

I remember standing there with the magazine in my hand, trying to catch people's eye.

I wasn't doing it for long. I knew I had somewhere warm to get back to afterwards. But it brought home to me what it must feel like to be on our streets, without a bed for the night.

That's never sat right with me. At our best, Britain puts care of people at the heart of everything we do. Just think about the pandemic - people of every background pulling together and looking out for one another. Whether it was volunteering to deliver food packages, checking in on an elderly neighbour or just standing outside on a Thursday banging a pan for our frontline workers, everyone had a role to play. We were all in it together.

That's the Britain I want to build - a country where no one is written off. But that's not the Britain I see today. And while some of our own are still bedded down in doorways and outside stations, we can never kid ourselves that the job's done.

Ending rough sleeping is a moral mission for me. It always has been. Growing up, I could see the effects of deindustrialisation on our streets. I saw what happened when good

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A row of rough sleepers



Tent just off Bridge Street, Manchester

jobs disappeared and hollowed-out communities were left to pick up the pieces.

And I learned early on that when things go wrong for a friend, a neighbour or even a stranger - in fact, especially a stranger - you don't just turn your back on them. You stick out your hand, you dust them off and you help them get on.

That's why my first instruction as Prime Minister was to end rough sleeping. And it's why today we're getting started with a national drive to get everyone in for Christmas.

As part of that, we'll be putting £442million behind the people and services who work day in, day out to get people off the streets. I'll expect everyone to be offered a route off them but it will be up to local leaders to decide what kind of support their communities need beyond that.

Gone are the days of Westminster dictating solutions to the local people who face these issues every day.

So government will put the money in - I can promise you that. But I'm asking leaders across society to play their part too. Because if I learned anything from my time in Greater Manchester - and if we learned anything from the pandemic - it's that we can only get things done when we all pull together.

Together, we can build a Britain that puts care of people back at the heart of who we are - and bring back hope.

end the housing emergency". Sarah Elliot, its chief executive, added: "It's reassuring plans for emergency support are backed up by a commitment to deliver over 1,000 settled homes to get people off the streets for good.

"But the 178,000 children hidden away in grim temporary accommodation also need somewhere to call home. The Prime Minister

must apply the same unwavering ambition to delivering the council housing revolution he promised."

Big Issue founder Lord John Bird said the introduction of the Everyone In scheme during the pandemic "proved that when we decide rough sleeping is unacceptable, we can act and get people in off the streets".

He added: "This Christmas commitment is a welcome return to that spirit. But it's important that people are not just brought in from the cold for a few weeks, only to be sent back out again.

"To this end, I'm encouraged to see the Prime Minister allocating millions in tried-and-tested localised solutions that offer wraparound support for long-term rough sleepers.

Countless projects and pilots demonstrated this approach works, only to be suffocated by the underinvestment and short-termist mindset of the previous government."

Lord Bird continued: "I've never met a rough sleeper whose only problem was homelessness.

"Rough sleeping is a destination after years of untreated issues, like mental health problems, abuse and substance addictions - none of which simply vanishes when you get a roof over someone's head.

"Instead, we must start treating the causes of homelessness and begin the process of getting people back into society."

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171%

increase on the numbers living rough since 2010

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DAILY Mirror

PM's bold beds quest

THE Prime Minister knows better than most how brutally difficult it is to get people off the streets for good.

As Greater Manchester mayor, Andy Burnham's "A Bed Every Night" scheme initially helped drive down numbers.

But the problem stubbornly returned as homelessness rose across the country.

That experience matters now he is PM. His pledge to get everyone indoors by Christmas – backed by £442million – is ambitious, humane and desperately needed after rough sleeping hit record levels last year.

But warm words and emergency beds alone will not end this issue. The test will be whether councils have the homes, staff and long-term support to make it work.

Getting people through doors at Christmas is only the beginning. Keeping them off the streets will be the real measure of success.

TV has a duty

CHANNEL 4 has every right to challenge established thinking. But with ADHD, it also has a responsibility not to turn a serious condition into provocative TV.

Calling a programme The Great ADHD Myth? risks sowing doubt before a single piece of evidence is heard.

For people whose diagnosis and medication have transformed their lives, that framing can feel deeply dismissive.

There are legitimate questions about diagnosis, prescribing and whether schools do enough to support children who struggle.

But ADHD UK is right to demand those helped by treatment are heard too. Debate is healthy. Stigma, sensationalism and reducing complex lives to entertainment are not.

Real Royals

CANCER does not care about rank, wealth or privilege.

The Queen's account of longing to speak about the King's diagnosis captures the fear familiar to countless families. That is why places such as Maggie's, offering expert help and simple human support, matter so much.

BLUEFIN TUNA CAUGHT OFF WHITBY



BY ALEXANDER BROWN
Assistant Political Editor

ANDY Burnham responded to Vladimir Putin's threats over Ukraine by telling him that Britain will continue to support the invaded country.

Moscow had threatened unspecified "consequences" after reports that Ukraine used drones made by two UK firms to strike targets on Russia's mainland for the first time.

Russia's embassy to the UK accused Britain of "seeking to contain Russia and inflict maximum damage on it by proxy". It said the deeper Britain's involvement, the higher the price it would pay.

NEED

But Mr Burnham insisted yesterday: "This is the UK doing what it has long said it would do, which is to support Ukraine 100% against this illegal war led by Vladimir Putin."

"We are providing support so that Ukraine can defend itself, and that's been the British position all the way through this conflict by previous prime ministers. It remains the case with me."

Speaking on a visit to a Wolverhampton bus station, he added: "We are not fair-weather friends. We will be there in Ukraine's hour of need, and that won't change."

Russian attacks on Ukraine yesterday included one on a house in Pechenihiy, Kharkiv

UK 100% BEHIND UKRAINE

Burnham warns Putin threats won't work

region. Emergency crews were seen carrying a body from it.

Kyiv has stepped up attacks on Russia this year. Long-range missiles and swarms of drones are increasingly targeting military industries and energy facilities.

Last week a massive Ukrainian

attack ignited the largest remaining logistics hub of Wildberries, the Russian retailer, just 25 miles south of the Kremlin.

The site in Koledino, Podolsk District, was among targets hit during a 600-drone onslaught.

The MoD said: "We are

committed to providing the equipment Ukraine needs to defend itself against Putin.

"Russia should be in no doubt about the resolve of this government to stand against Russian aggression."

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Imported eggs cause concern

Salmonella 'linked to eggs from overseas'

BY ELLA PICKOVER

A DEADLY salmonella outbreak "may be linked to imported eggs", the UK Health Security Agency has said.

One person has died and hundreds more have reported symptoms such as stomach cramps, diarrhoea, vomiting and fever.

A total of 207 cases have been confirmed between August 11 last year and August 1 this year, with the highest number affected in London, on 47.

More than a third of people affected (38%) had to be admitted to hospital, with two people developing life-threatening blood stream infections.

EVIDENCE

UKHSA said that investigations had identified links to imported eggs "mainly used by food service and catering establishments such as restaurants or cafes" as a potential source.

There is no evidence that eggs produced in the UK are affected.

Jacquelyn McCormick from the Food Standards Agency said: "We are working closely with the UK Health Security Agency and other partners to investigate an outbreak of Salmonella Enteritidis.

"The exact cause has not yet been identified, however investigations so far have identified links to eggs imported from outside the UK.

"Our advice around eating eggs remains the same - eggs which are thoroughly cooked and handled hygienically should not present a food safety risk.

"Infants, pregnant women and older adults should only eat runny or raw eggs if they have a British Lion mark or are produced under the Laid in Britain scheme."

Marie and Alex lived in North London

Honeymooners die in helicopter crash

Brit newlyweds in Greek isle tragedy

BY ANDY LINES Chief Reporter and ZAHRA KHALIQ

A YOUNG British couple who colleagues said had extraordinary futures ahead of them have been killed in a helicopter crash while on honeymoon.

Newlyweds Alex Cromie, 31, and Marie Ebert, 30, died with pilot Giorgos Raikos, 55, after the chopper spiralled out of control.

Shocking footage captured the helicopter smashing into the ground and bursting into flames on the Greek island of Sifnos.

Devastated friends and colleagues paid tribute to the couple, who lived in North London.

Alex was the vice president of private wealth solutions company Blackstone. The firm said: "Alex was beloved by everyone who knew and worked with him, and our thoughts and prayers are with his loved ones."

Marie worked at Bain & Company, one of the "Big Three" consulting firms.

A spokesman said: "Marie was a much-loved and deeply respected member of our London team. She was exceptional at her job, admired by everyone who worked with her, and had an extraordinary future ahead of her. We are devastated.

PROPELLER

"Our thoughts are with Marie's family, with her husband Alex's family, and with the friends and colleagues who are grieving them both. We also extend our sympathies to the family of the pilot who lost his life."

Manolis Fountoulakis, deputy mayor of Sifnos, said: "[The helicopter] experienced mechanical failure in the air. Residents say it made a loud, strange noise, like military aircraft. This is because the propeller was doing something strange."

Two bodies were discovered inside the crash site area and another was found yards away, he added.

Witness Antonis Zambeli said: "The helicopter crashed 50 metres from houses and about 50 metres from the landing spot next to the Panagia tis Vrysis monastery."

The pilot was a retired Greek Air Force officer and father of three. The Greek Ministry of Transport said authorities were probing the crash.

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Alex was beloved by everyone who knew and worked with him... Marie had an extraordinary future ahead of her

ALEX CROMIE AND MARIE EBERT'S EMPLOYERS PAYING TRIBUTE TO TRAGIC COUPLE

Crash scene on Sifnos



ROONEY NOSE

BY DANIEL ORME

MANCHESTER United legend Wayne Rooney has finally had surgery to fix his broken nose - eight years late.

The Red Devils hero suffered the injury while playing for MLS side DC United in 2018, but decided to delay corrective surgery.

The 40-year-old, who retired from professional football in 2021 and moved into management, told the Stick to United podcast that he

Op to fix hooter broken 8yrs ago

had surgery last week. Rooney admitted: "It's a little bit uncomfortable."

He explained: "I broke my nose against Preston in the FA Cup [in 2015]. It was when all that

Wade Barrett stuff came out because it was a bit of a dive.

"I broke my nose in that game and then, when I went to DC United, I broke my nose again.

That was a bad one. I needed surgery, but I put it off. I thought I'd get the World Cup out of the way and then get it done. It went well but the tubes are horrible, and still in."

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CHARITY FURY

BY NICOLA METHVEN TV Editor

A LEADING charity has urged its members to complain to Ofcom about last night's The Great ADHD Myth? on Channel 4.

Henry Shelford, the chief executive of ADHD UK, described the programme as sensationalist nonsense.

He predicted more than 10,000 members will register their dismay with the regulator using a questionnaire and complaint form on the charity's website.

Mr Shelford told the Mirror: "I wish Channel 4 had done what they did for the menopause with Davina McCall, or for dyslexia with Jamie Oliver.

"We wouldn't have The Menopause Myth or The Dyslexia Myth or the Migraine Myth, so why this?"

"It shows the prejudice and the stigma around ADHD." In the programme, Dr Max Pemberton argued that ADHD was a "social construct" rather than a medical condition.

He said that schools should adapt to better support those children with symptoms rather than medicating them so that they fit in.

But the programme used just one family, a 10-year-old with ADHD called Mason and mum Shauna, to show the supposed advantages of coming off the ADHD medication.

And Mr Shelford said of the experiment, overseen by psychologist Dr Sarah Warley: "It obfuscates the truth by spending an hour building a story of a child not needing medication by doing yoga and forest walks and having less screen time and then at the end, through epilogue text, admits that the child struggled in school.

"So the actual conclusion is that the child did need ADHD medication.

"If this was science-led that would have been the story - but it isn't, because this isn't science."

Pointing out that ADHD is recognised by the World Health Organization, the NHS and NICE, Mr Shelford said that Dr Pemberton - who specialises in addiction issues rather than ADHD drugs or children - began with a clear agenda. He had already set out his feelings in an article for The Spectator in December 2024.

In it, he wrote that ADHD was "now wildly overdiagnosed".

He added in the magazine piece: "It's easier to whack a label on a child - to medicalise their behaviour - than it is to confront parents with the idea that they might be at least in part to blame.

"The solution isn't Ritalin, it's better parenting with less screen time."

But Mr Shelford said ADHD is not a modern phenomenon.

He said: "Physicians described

it in 1798 - two centuries before the smartphone and 150 years before ultra-processed food. If modern life invented ADHD, it managed to do so remarkably far in advance." In his open letter to Channel 4, he also argued that asking whether a medically recognised neurodevelopmental condition was a myth was a dangerous starting point.

He said of the title: "A question mark is not a get-out-of-harm-free card.

"The damage of a title like this is done in the listings, before a single frame is broadcast." In the

80%
Proportion of people taking ADHD meds who report good outcome



From top, Dr Sami Timimi, Dr Chris Begley & Dr Iona Heath

programme, only medical experts who agreed that ADHD was a myth were featured. One child psychiatrist, Dr Sami Timimi, compared ADHD medication to the cane by saying: "One of the things you could argue, on a sociological level, is that we've replaced corporal punishment with a new way of disciplining kids - giving them a pill."

Dr Chris Begley, of University College London, claimed that kids

were being treated "like objects into which you can put various different substances to make them comply". And Dr Iona Heath, former President of the Royal College of General Practitioners, said she would like to ban both

the term ADHD and the medication for it, instead reforming education.

But Mr Shelford said 80% of users report a positive impact from taking ADHD medication

He added: "Having ADHD is tough. Under-

mining the condition just makes it tougher. When a national broadcaster invites

millions to file all of this under 'myth', people cancel assessments, parents doubt their children, employers doubt their staff, and lives are put at risk."

Dr Pemberton said he made the film to examine the explosion in ADHD diagnoses. He added: "There's no doubt that the people seeking these diagnoses are genuinely struggling. What the film asks is whether ADHD is really the best explanation. My hope is that we come away with permission to ask better questions about what modern life is doing to all of us."

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ADHD UK CHIEF EXECUTIVE HENRY SHELFORD, RIGHT



AS TV DOC QUESTIONS CONDITION

We wouldn't have The Dyslexia Myth, so why this? It shows the prejudice & stigma around ADHD



“Torrent of negativity with no other views

AROUND a year ago I became one of the growing number of adults diagnosed with ADHD – at the grand old age of 57.

It was an incredible revelation. I learned that the decades of daily struggles were caused by a neurological condition and not, as I had been convinced all my life, entirely my fault.

But according to this documentary, I'm just an idiot who has fallen for a trendy social construct. A panel of experts, displaying varying degrees of scepticism, lob in inflammatory statements throughout.

Medication is compared to cocaine, taking a break from tablets is described as “cold turkey” and one contributor claims that they are worse for kids than corporal punishment.

You'd think that among this torrent of negativity they could have included just one person who shares the view of the NHS – that ADHD is a genuine neurobiological condition. But



no. It follows presenter Dr Max Pemberton – an NHS psychiatrist – on a dogged mission to prove his own opinions correct.

At one point he gets himself diagnosed with ADHD, despite not having it. When he tries the medication, he predictably finds it has turned him into a timid shadow of his former self.

SURVIVE

Surprisingly for a doctor, he never once addresses the fact that taking a drug for a condition he doesn't have will obviously have an adverse effect.

One segment follows a young mum whose son has ADHD as she tries to calm his behaviour without the aid of meds.

This actually leads to a question that really does need

asking: Are we giving children medication to survive an education system that is not fit for purpose, instead of changing the system to benefit them?

It's a point that lands very powerfully with me.

My son has ADHD. Despite taking medication, he fell out of mainstream education at 12.

He is now in a provision that has worked wonders – it focuses on outdoor learning and puts students on the path to employment by tailoring lessons to their interests.

If the documentary had started with this question, and then asked experts with a range of opinions to contribute, it could have been essential viewing.

Unfortunately it arrived right at the end after 45 minutes of sensationalist fear-mongering.

Whatever its intentions, all the The Great ADHD Myth? will achieve is to discourage people who are struggling from getting the support they need.

NO MEDS

Mason, 10, with mum Shauna

BY CHRISTOPHER BUCKTIN
US Editor

She is Donald Trump's "human printer", and his closeness to glamorous Natalie Harp has become a growing talking point in Washington.

So inseparable are the pair that the president's recent escape from the Nato summit over a credible Iranian assassination plot saw him choose the 35-year-old aide over key cabinet members to fly with him.

Even figures inside Trump's own circle are said to have questioned the intensity of their bond.

Harp's extraordinary intimacy with the 80-year-old has become the subject of intense talk, with questions growing over how an aide who once followed Trump around his golf courses, printing out favourable coverage, came to occupy such a trusted place at the very heart of his presidency.

The odd relationship has even seen her referred to as Trump's "binky" – an American term for a baby's dummy.

There is no evidence of anything improper, but Harp's constant presence, unusual access and the intensely loyal language she has used about Trump have fuelled fascination over his relationship with his executive assistant.

That fascination burst into the open this week when Democratic senator Jon Ossoff accused Trump of preferring to "travel with Natalie" and "build his ballroom" rather than concentrate on the job of president.

When CNN White House correspondent Kristen Holmes put the attack to Trump in the Oval Office, he blew up, sidestepping the reference to Harp and instead mocking Ossoff as a "Pee-wee Herman" look-alike before defending his White House renovation plans.

His team, however, reacted with fury. The White House rapid response operation branded Holmes a "disgraceful, humiliating embarrassment to her alleged profession" and accused her of taking a cheap shot at one of Trump's staffers.

The ferocity of the response only heightened the sense that Harp has become a particularly sensitive subject within Trump's circle.

That was underlined by his departure from Turkey last month, when amid fears of an Iran assassination plot, he was transferred to a military plane inside a catering truck.

Only a small group of aides including, Harp, was with him.

Secretary of State Marco Rubio and Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent were left behind on the decoy – at risk – plane. Stephen Miller, one of Trump's longest-serving advisers, was also reported to have remained behind.

Days after, the president's fiercely loyal White House spokesperson Karoline Leavitt, also left behind, announced her resignation. The

Trump is rarely seen without glamorous 'human printer' Natalie far from his side...

FIRST AIDE



Kristen Holmes

US President Donald Trump and aide Natalie Harp exit Marine One at the White House on Sunday



Senator Jon Ossoff

28-year-old said she wanted to spend time with her family and 61-year-old husband.

Harp's job title barely captures the extent of her access to Trump.

She carries a laptop, paper and a portable printer while accompanying him, including on his golf courses, because of his preference for reading printed material. She would produce flattering articles, praise from

supporters and other material likely to catch his eye, earning the nickname of the "human printer".

She is also reported to help assemble the torrent of material that ends up on Trump's Truth Social account, including attacks on Democrats and messages from allies.

Posts are printed out for Trump to review before Harp helps put approved material online, giving her a remarkable position close to the machinery through which he communicates with the world. Her apparent knack for keep-

ing Trump happy has long been noticed by those around him.

Republican congressman Ronny Jackson, Trump's former physician, said in 2024: "She keeps everybody in a really good mood, and most importantly, she keeps the president in a really good mood."

Harp's fierce devotion first showed in 2019 after speaking about her battle with bone cancer.

Praising Trump for signing the 2018 Right To Try Act, which was designed to help patients gain access to experimental treatments, she said: "My Good Samaritan, President

Donald J. Trump, saw me there, and he didn't walk by; he stopped."

After a stint presenting for the strongly pro-Trump One America News Network, she joined his staff in 2022 and remained close through the investigations, the court cases, and the campaign to return as president.

The White House pushes back at claims Harp's closeness to Trump is sinister, instead presenting it as evidence of loyalty and trust.

But proximity is power, and Harp appears to enjoy an exceptional amount of both.

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Marco Rubio, Scott Bessent and Stephen Miller were left behind on the decoy aircraft



Pump prices can vary hugely

A thousand garages on notice over price data

BY HOLLY WILLIAMS

MORE than 1,000 petrol garages have been warned over their failure to notify the Fuel Finder service what prices they charge.

The Competition and Markets Authority raised concerns in its latest quarterly update that retailers were sluggish in passing on to customers falls in the wholesale price of fuel.

The CMA said while costs overall fell at fuel pumps in June, prices remained significantly higher than before the Middle East conflict.

It found retailer profit margins were either at or above the historically high levels seen in 2025.

And the CMA has now revealed that, since April, it has sent 1,166 letters to retailers warning over failures to register with the government-run price comparison scheme.

PROFITEERING

It has also sent out 53 compliance notices.

But it said around 97% of petrol stations are now registered with the scheme, which between them account for about 99% of fuel sold in the UK.

And the CMA said it had not had to issue any fines.

It did not find evidence that fuel retailers were profiteering from the war in Iran, it added.

Sarah Cardell, chief executive of the CMA, said: "We know prices at the pump are putting real pressure on drivers' pockets."

"Our monitoring plays an important role in giving drivers confidence that retailers are not taking advantage of the conflict."

"We will continue to monitor prices and margins closely and expect any reductions in wholesale prices to be rapidly and fully passed on."

"Fuel Finder can help drivers save money."

Air and land ambulances at the scene in Shoreham, West Sussex, yesterday



Helicopter and, right, scene from the sea



Three die in sea horror

Huge emergency response to family of 4 struggling in ocean

BY PATRICK HILL

THREE members of the same family were last night confirmed dead after another drowning tragedy.

The man, woman and teenage girl were declared dead after emergency crews mounted a huge response when the family of four got into difficulty in water off the coast of Shoreham-by-Sea in West Sussex.

It is understood medics battled to save the trio after pulling them out of water onto the beach. A younger girl is in hospital in critical condition.

One ambulance was later seen leaving the scene with a police escort, which was using flashing blue lights.

The emergency response included at least five police cars, seven ambulances, two air ambulances, coastguard rescue teams and three lifeboats.

Shirley Pumfrey, who lives near the harbour mouth, was shocked by the scale of the emergency response, which included helicopters landing on the beach. She said: "I have never seen them do that. The whole road was just full of emergency services. It was horrific and quite scary to see."

Another resident, Pete Book, added: "A yellow air ambulance helicopter

landed. There were a lot of ambulances, coastguard and police vehicles, and the coast road was closed."

"The whole road was full of emergency services... scary to see"

The drama began near Shoreham Fort shortly before 3pm yesterday afternoon, at a beach that includes an RNLI lifeboat station. Locals described conditions around Shoreham as rough yesterday, due to strong winds.

South East Coast Ambulance Service said it responded to reports of four people needing medical attention after getting into difficulty near Shoreham Harbour. HM Coast-

guard said it responded to an incident that was reported at around 2.45pm.

A spokesman added: "An HM Coastguard helicopter was sent as well as Littlehampton, Shoreham and Newhaven Coastguard Rescue Teams, and an RNLI lifeboat from Shoreham."

Sussex Police said a section of the A259 remained closed.

At least 43 people have died in open water since the first spell of hot weather in mid-May. Our Save Lives for Sam campaign, inspired by 2021 drowning victim Sam Haycock, 16, demands a Sam's Law to make safety equipment near high-risk areas legally mandatory.

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Police officer with gear at beach scene

Boy aged 15 will be tried for sex crimes including rape of a girl, 10

BY PATRICK HILL

A 15-YEAR-OLD boy is to stand trial accused of 18 sex attacks on eight girls, aged 10 to 15 at the time. The charges include the rapes of two alleged victims, one of whom is said to have been 10. The defendant is also facing 15 counts of sexual assault and one further sex attack charge. As well as those 18 charges, the boy faces two of making indecent

photographs of a child, possession of a prohibited image of a child and possessing an extreme pornographic image. It is claimed the offences took place between June 2023 and January 2025, when the defendant was aged between 12 and 14. A hearing at Northampton crown court yesterday was



Northampton crown court

expected to include his pleas but Judge Adrienne Lucking KC began by ruling that he had not had enough time to consult with his new barrister. She also ruled that witness cross-examinations would be pre-recorded for the court. The boy, given conditional bail, is to give pleas on September 25.



Dog death accused's court tears

55-year-old appears in the dock after a 'right of way altercation'

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Nigella's intensely happy

BY ALLISTER HAGGER

DOMESTIC goddess Nigella Lawson marked her first Great British Bake Off with a gushing post about her dream job and new colleagues.

Nigella, 66, is taking over from Prue Leith in the tent and posted pictures of herself in a jumpsuit brandishing a fork.

She said: "I'm a bit nervous, very excited and extremely happy. I've loved every minute. It's a real honour to be part of something so special."

Thanking her fellow judge Paul Hollywood and hosts Alison Hammond

and Noel Fielding for "making me feel so instantly part of the family", she added: "You three plus cake - talk about the dream job!"

Filming is complete on the series and it will air from next month.

Channel 4 said fans of the show "can expect to see Nigella bringing her trademark warmth, wit and passion for flavour to the tent".

Nigella became a household name in the 90s with her hugely successful cookbooks and shows, including How To Be A Domestic Goddess.



Nigella with her new pals Paul, Alison and Noel



Nigella posed in tent in a loud purple jumpsuit

BY LUCY THORNTON

A FATHER-of-two broke down crying when he appeared in court charged over the death of a man who was allegedly bitten by his alsatian-cross dog.

Lee Ellis, 55, shook his head in the dock when he was told he had been charged with the manslaughter of James Judge.

Mr Judge, also 55, died after being bitten on a footpath, allegedly after an "altercation" between the pair about a right of way.

Ellis, of Calder Grove, Wakefield, is also charged with being the "owner or person in charge of a dog dangerously out of control causing injury resulting in death". Dressed in a grey tracksuit, he appeared in the glass-lined dock at Bradford magistrates court.

Unshaven Ellis kept his hands behind his back, taking deep breaths, as he confirmed his name and address. As details of the alleged offences were told to the court, he sat in the dock crying.

The court heard Ellis, a farrier, had been out walking his two dogs, one



Lee Ellis outside court yesterday

described as an alsatian crossed with an Australian huntaway, when an "altercation" occurred with Mr Judge.

Georgina Fishwick, prosecuting, told the court an initial postmortem had been unable to determine the number of times Mr Judge was bitten. She added: "A bite to the back of the right knee was a direct contributor to his death."

The court heard both men had called 999 and Mr Judge died later in hospital.

Rob Fones, representing Ellis in court, said there was "a verbal altercation in regards to right of way".

He added: "He's out with his two dogs not far away from where he lives and where he regularly walks the dog at certain of times of the day. He comes across Judge and there is a verbal altercation in regards to right of way. He walks away and Mr Judge follows him."

Ellis was bailed to next appear at Leeds crown court on September 16 to enter a plea. He was told he was being granted bail despite it being a "very serious offence".

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The Pub Landlord Al Murray

Comic Al's stem cells plea after lad's death

BY LAUREN DEL FABBRO

COMEDIAN Al Murray is urging people to join the stem cell register after the death of his nephew.

Al, 58, said people need to "pack a parachute for a stranger" as he joined a campaign for donors.

The comedian, best known as the Pub Landlord, lost eight-year-old Finley in 2021 when he died of rare juvenile myelomonocytic leukaemia.

Despite having two stem cell transplants, the treatment did not work and has fuelled Al's calls to encourage the public to help others "escape cancer" by increasing the chances of finding a match.

Partnering with the Anthony Nolan charity, Al features in its new campaign, Half a Chance, which highlights that only 50% of blood cancer patients survive for five years or more after a donor stem cell transplant.

REGISTER

Set in a traditional pub, Al appears alongside three stem cell transplant recipients but next to them are three empty bar stools, representing those in need of a transplant.

He said: "Seeing my brother-in-law and his wife lose their son, and seeing the fact that there was a chance of defeating this, of escaping from the cancer via stem cell donation, you just think, more people need to know about that."

"You're being asked to pack a parachute for a stranger. Why wouldn't you go on this register? Particularly as the chances are they won't call you."

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» Drinking storage tanks still at 'critically low' levels : Thousands affected as bottled water handed out

'It's simply not good enough'

BY ELLIE CRABBE

A WATER company has been ordered to "go further and faster" to fix problems with leaks and supplies after thousands of people were left high and dry again.

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs blasted another disruption for South East Water customers, who have been told only to use water for essential purposes.

A Defra spokesperson said: "This situation is simply not good enough."

"South East Water needs to go further and faster to reduce leaks and follow their drought plans to ensure supplies are not disrupted in even the driest of weather."

SEW warned its customers in Kent that water levels in its drinking storage tanks remain "critically low".

After the latest issue, supply was restored to 7,400 properties, but 400 more were still facing low pressure or no water.

SEW customers have been facing a string of issues.

Last month, 7,000 homes in the Tunbridge Wells area had supply problems due to a failure at a treatment works.

Mike Court, of South East Water, said: "Water levels within our drinking water storage tank which supplies the area remain critically low. We are therefore urging all customers to continue using water for essential uses only."

SEW was ordered to pay £30.5million last month following an investigation by industry watchdog Ofwat into supply interruptions affecting hundreds of thousands of households across Kent and Sussex.

TRUST

It included a previously proposed £22m fine for water supply failures between 2020 and 2023, which impacted more than 286,000 people.

The regulator launched a second probe at the start of this year after more supply interruptions in Tunbridge Wells and across Kent and Sussex between November and January, which left up to 70,000 homes without water.

Defra added: "After years of failure, we have taken swift action to hold water companies to account."

"We have banned unfair water boss bonuses and will establish a new, single regulator with greater powers to drive transparency, helping to rebuild customer trust and protect the environment."

SEW said bottled water stations, including at the Weald Sports Centre in Cranbrook and Sturry Road Park and Ride in Canterbury, would be open until 10pm last night, but that staff and contractors had been subject to abuse.

Katie Lam, Tory MP for Weald, said: "I know this situation is unacceptable, but there are simply no circumstances where it is acceptable to abuse people just trying to do their jobs."

The current run of heatwaves has seen 10 water companies impose hosepipe bans, affecting around 27 million people in England.

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Water bottles handed out at Weald Sports Centre in Cranbrook

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Millions of pounds SEW was told to pay over supply interruptions



MP Katie Lam & SEW's Mike Court

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South East Water needs to go further and faster to reduce leaks and follow their drought plan

DEFRA ON FIRM'S PROBLEMS



easyJet staff went on strike

Brits hit by cabin crew strike may get compo

BY LEVI WINCHESTER

HOLIDAYMAKERS are being urged to check if they are eligible for compensation after strikes by easyJet's cabin crew.

The budget airline cancelled around 100 flights out of France last weekend with the possibility of further disruption this summer.

Passengers flying from Paris, Nice, Bordeaux and Lyon are among those that have faced cancellations.

Under EU regulation 261/2004, travellers can claim compensation if their flight is cancelled in certain circumstances.

This can range from €125 (£106) to €600 (£513) per person.

FAULT

How much money you are due depends on the length of the flight, plus how much notice you were given for the cancellation and the time of your alternative flight.

But the airline normally only has to pay if it was their fault your flight was cancelled.

This can include strikes involving an airline's staff, including cabin crew, as this is deemed the responsibility of the airline.

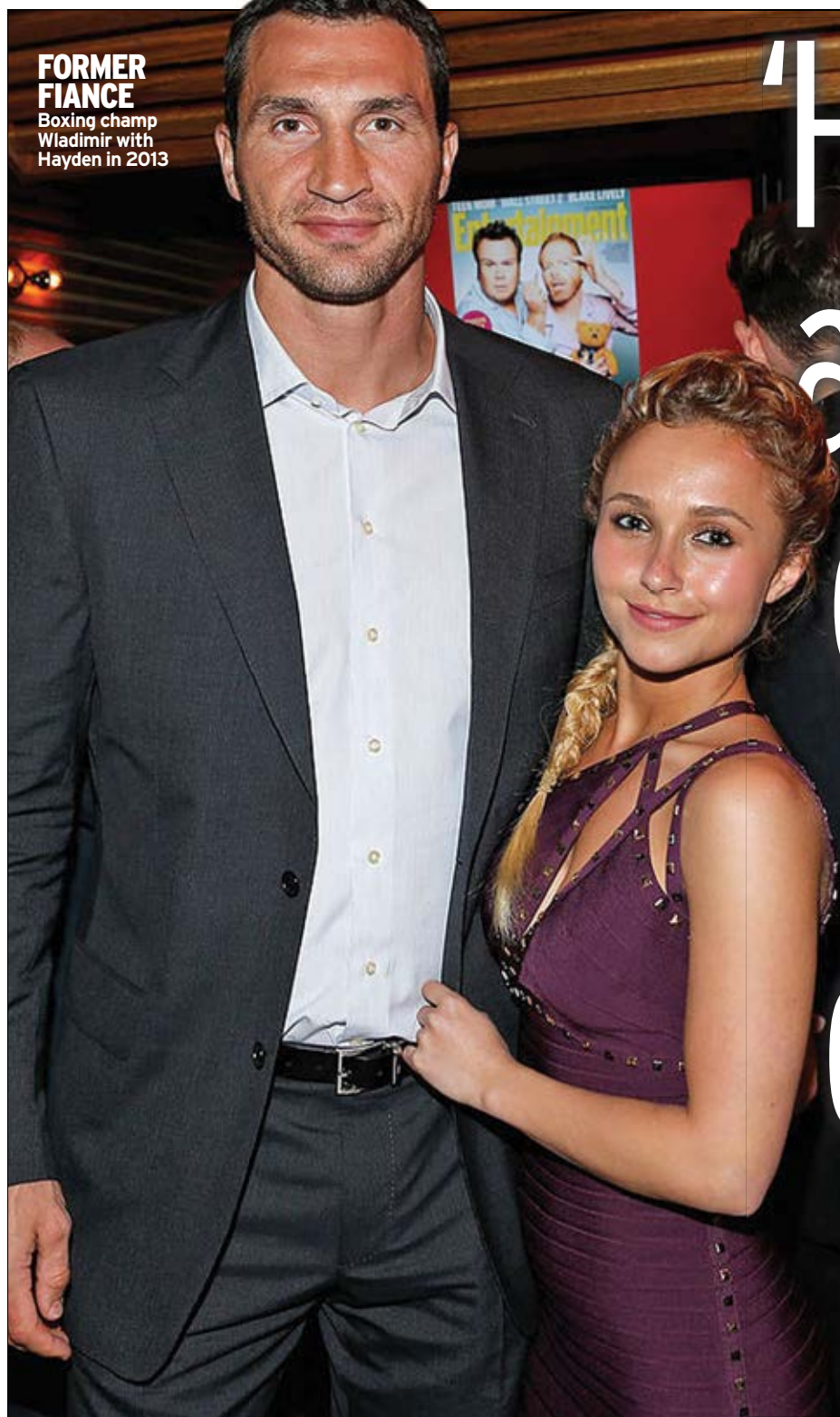
Strikes outside of an airline's control – such as air traffic control, airport security or baggage handlers – are unlikely to qualify for compensation.

Consumer rights expert Martyn James said: "The rule of thumb is, if the staff work directly for the airline (cabin crew, pilots) then you should get compensation for delayed or cancelled flights."

If you believe you are entitled to compensation, make a complaint directly to your airline.

If it refuses to pay out, contact the relevant alternative dispute resolution (ADR) scheme.

FORMER FIANCÉ
Boxing champ Wladimir with Hayden in 2013



'Hayden built an incredible career while facing the darker sides of industry'

BY TOM BRYANT
Associate Editor (Showbiz)

THE former partner of Hayden Panettiere and father of her child has said she was forced to endure the darker side of the industry.

The Nashville star died on Sunday at the age of 36. Police in Greenville, South Carolina, found her in cardiac arrest and said there were no signs of foul play or suspicious circumstances.

Former world heavyweight boxing champion Wladimir Klitschko, 50, said: "Our family is going through a time of profound shock and grief."

"The announcement of Hayden's tragic death saddens me deeply. She left this world far too soon."

"Hayden was, although no longer my partner, an important part of my life and the mother of our daughter, Kaya."

"She built an incredible career through immense talent, while also facing the darker sides of a very demanding industry."

"Nothing will erase the times we shared or the place she had in our lives."

"To our daughter Kaya, I will always speak of her mother with respect and make sure she remembers

Tragic actress's ex Klitschko says 'our daughter will remember her'

the person she was. I extend my deepest condolences to Hayden's parents, her friends, and her fans, who are also grieving today.

"Young and talented people like Hayden should not leave this world so soon. I ask everyone to please respect our family's feelings and privacy during this incredibly difficult time."

"Thank you to everyone who is supporting my family and expressing their sincere condolences. Rest easy,

Hayden. May you find eternal peace. #WeLoveYouHayden."

Wladimir and Hayden began dating in 2009 and confirmed they were engaged in 2013. They had daughter Kaya in December 2014 but split in 2018. That same year she gave him full custody as she struggled with addiction and her mental health.

The Greenville County Coroner's Office said an autopsy had been completed and no signs of trauma were

discovered that would have contributed to the death. The statement said: "The cause and manner of death remain pending further investigation and completion of additional studies."

Hayden's father Skip described her as "an incredible light and a force of nature who brought immeasurable love and joy to all who knew her – and to the millions who watched her on screen".

He asked that her family be given privacy as they "take time to process this unimaginable loss".

The Heroes star, who began acting as a child, had spoken openly about addiction in her 20s, and her struggles with her postpartum mental health.

In a memoir published in May, she also described the loss of her younger brother, Jansen, and her decision to give full custody of Kaya to Klitschko.

She told podcaster Jay Shetty: "The idea anyone would think that I'd just give away my child and be OK with it is heartbreaking and couldn't be further from the truth."

"I was struggling with mental health and anxiety, and the postpartum and having to act my way through it and just feeling like I completely lost myself."

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Mum Lesley, brother Jansen, Hayden and dad Skip Panettiere in 2008

“Our family is going through profound shock. She left this world too soon

WLADIMIR KLITSCHKO PAYS TRIBUTE TO HEROES ACTRESS



Hayden with daughter Kaya, who is now 11



Sign for Ulez zone in London

Clean zone does help kids' lungs, study finds

BY REBECCA SPEARE-COLE

LONDON'S ultra low emission zone has been linked to improved lung growth in children.

A study's findings suggest the scheme, which began in 2019 and levies a charge on vehicles in the capital not meeting emissions standards, really has resulted in cleaner air.

A team of scientists led by Queen Mary University of London measured the lung health of more than 3,400 children aged six to nine on annual school visits from 2018 to 2022.

The results were compared to data gathered in Luton, because the Bedfordshire town has similar traffic pollutants but no clean air zone.

Measurements taken before the Ulez scheme was introduced showed that children in London had significantly smaller lungs than the children living in Luton.

PRIORITY

But the data collected over the five years indicated that London children's lung size and health improved to be comparable with that of counterparts in Luton as the zone was implemented.

Joint senior author Professor Chris Griffiths said: "Traffic pollution in cities damages children's health and development.

"We provide the strongest evidence yet on how these harms can be prevented. Clean air zones should be considered a priority for cities globally."

Mayor of London Sir Sadiq Khan, who oversaw Ulez's introduction, said: "I refused to stand by while air pollution continued to damage Londoners' health.

"This proves we were right to act and reinforces my decision to extend the benefits of cleaner air to every child in London."

SMILES PER HOUR
Vin and Paul Walker's daughter Meadow



It's Vintage Diesel at film's 25th bash

BY JASMINE ALLDAY

THE Fast and Furious family reunite for a 25th anniversary screening of the first film.

Vin Diesel, 59, was snapped at the Los Angeles event with Meadow Walker, 27, the daughter of his late co-star Paul Walker.

Jordana Brewster, 46, posed with a street racing car and Michelle Rodriguez, 48, looked barely any older on Monday than she did at the film's premiere in 2001.

Vin is godfather to model Meadow, who was 15 when her dad died in a 2013 car crash.

Paul had starred in seven episodes of the action-packed film franchise about street racing. It became a phenomenon, with 11 movies now in the series.



Jordana, Paul, Michelle and Vin at the 2001 LA premiere



Jordana Brewster with racer

Michelle Rodriguez at LA film



Millions set for £500 a year pension boost

BY LEVI WINCHESTER Money Editor

THE State Pension is likely to rise by more than £500 a year from next April – but it could come with a sting in the tail.

Figures from the Office for National Statistics show average wage growth fell to 4.1% in the three months to June – the figure likely to be used to determine how much older people get next year.

But former pensions minister Sir Steve Webb warned the rise could push many retirees over their tax-free allowance for the first time.

He said: "Unless things change sharply

...but taxman is keen to claw it back

in the next month, those on the new State Pension can expect to see an increase of around £500 per year next April.

"But the sting in the tail is that this will take the standard rate of the new State Pension above the tax threshold.

"We therefore urgently need to know how the government plans to fulfil its pledge to make sure

Ex-minister Sir Steve Webb

that those wholly dependent on the new State Pension will not be charged income tax next year."

The State Pension rises every year in line with the triple lock – a government guarantee that ensures it increases with whichever is highest: inflation, average wage growth or 2.5%.

It is currently worth £12,547.60 a year – just below the £12,570

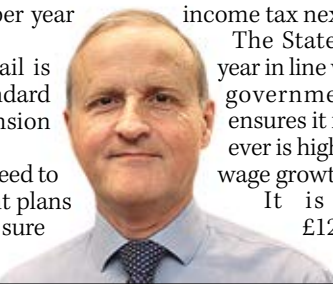
personal allowance. News of the potential tax pitfall comes after the number of job vacancies fell to its lowest level in more than five years.

The ONS said the total number of vacancies between May and July was 707,000 – around 6,000 fewer than in February to April.

The change is thought to be driven primarily by small businesses freezing recruitment due to rising operating, energy and labour costs.

The overall unemployment rate remained unchanged at 4.9% in the three months to June.

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A previous migrant crossing

French sea rescue as engine fell off dinghy

BY BENEDICT TETZLAFF-DEAS

FRENCH authorities rescued 96 people attempting to cross the English Channel after their dinghy's engine fell off.

French coastguards were following the boat when its engine first stalled, then dropped into the sea near Le Touquet on Monday morning.

A jetski was then sent to tug the dinghy to shore further down the coast at Boulogne-sur-Mer.

French officials said after this, around 30 people were in the water.

They said a helicopter saved four, and a lifeboat six, with the rest picked up by the rescue boat Minck.

A statement by French officials said: "Migrants attempting the crossing in precarious boats often refuse assistance offered by French resources, accepting it only in cases of extreme emergency."

RISKS

"Given the inherent fragility of these systematically overcrowded vessels, the decision is made not to force migrants on to state rescue ships."

"[This avoids] endangering their lives in the event of a shipwreck."

"The Maritime Prefect for the English Channel and the North Sea warns anyone considering crossing the Channel about the risks involved."

Earlier this month, a record 230 people made the journey across the Channel in a single boat.

Smuggling gangs appear to have begun attempting to cram more people into larger boats in recent weeks, though the number who have crossed so far in 2026 is down more than 40% compared to last year, despite good weather.

The Mirror has approached the Home Office for comment.

Snooker champ asked child he allegedly abused 'Does that feel nice?', court told

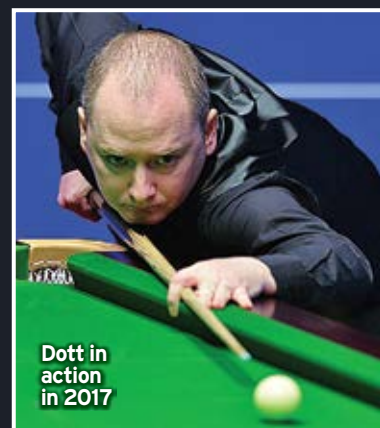
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He would touch me with his hand, and said 'That's my hand. Now you know what that feels like'

ALLEGED VICTIM AT GLASGOW HIGH COURT



FACING COURT
Dott arrives at his trial yesterday



Dott in action in 2017

BY NICK FORBES

SNOOKER star Graeme Dott asked a child he is accused of sexually abusing "Does that feel nice?", a court heard.

The former world champion faces allegations involving a girl spanning from 1993 to 1996, and a boy between 2006 and 2010.

Both of them were of primary school age at the time.

Dott's trial began yesterday with a jury hearing evidence from a woman now in her 40s, who claims he had sexually abused her on multiple separate occasions while she was a child.

Giving evidence from behind a screen at the high court in Glasgow, the woman said the first incident happened when he had offered to give her a piggy-back.

She said this involved her climbing on his back and wrapping her arms and legs around the front of his body.

After walking a short distance, she said they stopped for a couple of minutes and she told the court he started to caress her backside with his hands over her clothing.

She said: "I remember it was odd to me. I think he said, 'Does that feel nice', or something to that (effect)."

GUESSING

The woman alleged that on another occasion, Dott approached her and said to her: "We could play a game."

The woman claimed he told her "it would be a guessing game, and I had to guess what he was doing".

She claimed she lay down and he pulled her trousers down and lifted her top, and kissed her on the belly.

Responding to questions from prosecutor Lindsey Dalziel, she told the court he exposed himself to her and then began touching her inappropriately.

She explained: "He would touch me with his hand, and said 'That's my hand. Now you know what that feels like'."

"Then he kissed me and I knew what that felt like."

She said Dott had played the game with her more than once.

The 49-year-old Scottish star is accused of lewd, indecent and libidinous behaviour towards two children in the Glasgow region.

Dott denies the two charges.

The former professional player – who won the 2006 World Championship, beating Peter Ebdon 18-14 in the final – was in court and dressed in a dark suit.

The trial, before judge Lord Harrower, continues and is expected to last up to five days.

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Graeme Dott lifting the 2006 World Snooker Championship trophy

» Graeme Dott in historical sexual abuse allegations
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EXCLUSIVE

BY FRAN BOWDEN Head of Features

Fans of Colin From Accounts cringed collectively when Gordon asked Ashley to marry him in the Season 2 finale and her response was: "We can talk about it later."

As awkward proposals go, it was definitely up there – and we get to relive the mortifying moment at the start of the third and final season when it lands on BBC2 and iPlayer next month.

The Australian rom-com picks up three years after it left off and Gordon and Ashley – played by Patrick Brammall and Harriet Dyer – have split up and moved on.

But, like all star-crossed lovers, their paths are destined to cross again.

And what makes the show so compelling is the fact that Patrick and Harriet are not just co-creators, writers and executive producers, but they are husband and wife in real-life.

When asked if the characters of Gordon and Ashley were inspired by themselves, Harriet, 37, says: "I think we're both about 60% to 70%."

"They are certainly not us, but they're not a stretch."

"They slow each other down... I think that's what everyone's trying to get when they are falling in love with someone – an antidote to the noise."

Patrick and Harriet met on the set of Aussie comedy No Activity in 2015 and married in 2021.

The couple, who have two adopted daughters, Joni and Mabel, now divide their time between Los Angeles and Sydney – where their hit Colin From Accounts is set.

The show tells the story of microbrewery owner Gordon and trainee doctor Ashley, who meet when she impulsively flashes her breasts at him while crossing the street.

Distracted, Gordon hits a stray dog with his car and the pair bond after rushing the pooch – who they call Colin From Accounts – to the vet.

Inevitably, it doesn't take long for the pair to fall for the cute border terrier, and then for each other.

In the new series of the show, which first aired in the UK in 2023, Gordon and Ashley both have new partners.

But, of course, neither of their new loves are easy to like.

Ashley's new partner David (Thomas Cocquerel) is allergic to dogs, while Gordon's girlfriend Chelsea (Nikki Shiels) is totally OTT.

So when the pair randomly bump into each other again, years after their split, fans are immediately rooting for them to get back together – and, of course, Colin plays a key part in their journey.

Harriet admits the show's "comedy engine" runs on anxiety – and says it's no coincidence they chose to set it in Sydney.

Speaking on The Arts Hour for the BBC World Service, she says: "I think it speaks to the struggle that people have in Sydney – to try and keep paying the bills."

Patrick, 50, says that the area is "cool and aspirational", but admits: "You want to be there but it's expensive to be there. One of the reasons we picked Gordon to have a brewery is it's a cool,



Cute dog Colin, below, brings couple together



“
We're definitely going to work together again. I wouldn't want to write with anyone else

HARRIET ON PARTNERSHIP WITH PATRICK



Thomas and Nikki play new love interests



romantic idea." Harriet adds: "It's a bit of a Peter Pan idea. It is hard to be a microbrewery or craft brewery."

Patrick agrees, adding: "It's definitely Peter Pan, but it's a red lining as well. The business is never thriving. It's never really doing well."

"Similarly, there's neuroses and anxiety for the Ashley character."

While people assume being a doctor

Harriet Dyer & Patrick Brammall on blurring the boundaries

The true love story behind Colin from Accounts



Cringleworthy proposal in Series 2 finale



At the vet with a poorly Colin in first episode of hit show

is a great job, Patrick says of Ashley's lengthy training period in the early seasons: "She's eating cold cuts for dinner."

Harriet adds: "She's 29 when you meet her, and I think anxiety is like the modern epidemic. We were trying to speak to that – that modern life is a real headache."

It's a message that comes over loud

and clear as the show can count titan of comedy and Fleabag creator Phoebe Waller-Bridge among its famous fans.

And in real-life, Patrick and Harriet do not experience quite as much drama as their characters, saying they tend to see eye-to-eye, both personally and professionally.

"We are pretty much on the same page with stuff," says Patrick.

Although his wife openly admits:

"Paddy works harder." They do have some differences of opinion when it comes to editing the show, however. Harriet says: "There was a moment in the edit where I was, like, 'This episode is broken. I am so stressed, so tired, I don't know what to do'."

"But Pat dug his heels in. He just wanted to fix it. And I got a little bit... my white flag went up."

Patrick picks up the conversation, saying: "By the same token, I think I

am more of a worker. Harry's instinct is for writing. But a lot of the time, she's, like, 'That sounds like a line from a TV show, so let's not write that. Let's have something that feels real'."

"She's the same with her instincts about stories. I'll be there trying to make it work and Harry will be, like, 'It just doesn't work. It doesn't feel authentic'. It's a good combo in that sense."

Fans will be relieved to hear that

while the third series of Colin From Accounts may also be its last, there will be plenty more to come from the couple, who have been hailed as comedy geniuses.

"We're definitely going to work together again," Harriet says. "I wouldn't want to write with anybody else."

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■ This episode of The Arts Hour is on BBC Sounds. Watch past episodes of Colin From Accounts on BBC iPlayer.

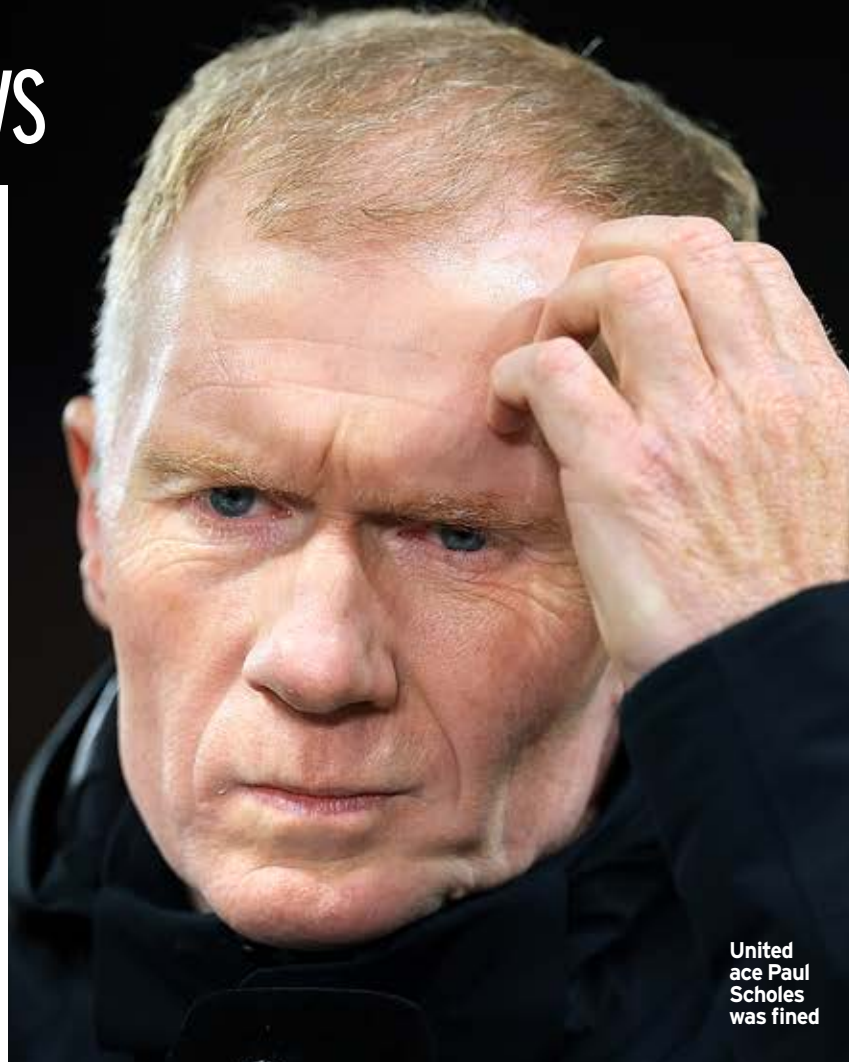
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- 2 Who played Detective Columbo in the TV series?
- 3 Which is the northernmost country in Africa?
- 4 At what temperature are Celsius and Fahrenheit equal?
- 5 Which Greek singer released hundreds of solo albums across at least 12 languages?

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Scholes banned from driving for 6 months

2 road convictions in 2 days



United ace Paul Scholes was fined

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BY TRISTAN KIRK

EX-MANCHESTER United star Paul Scholes has been given a six-month road ban after racking up two driving convictions in the space of two days.

The 51-year-old was caught speeding in a Range Rover in March.

West Yorkshire Police brought a prosecution, as Scholes's car had been clocked at 37mph on a 30mph stretch of residential road in Cleckheaton.

The former England midfielder was also taken to task by Greater Manchester Police after a Mercedes registered in his name was caught doing 49mph in a 30mph zone last November.

The two criminal cases culminated in hearings on two days last week.

Scholes was handed a six-month driving ban and ordered to pay fines, costs and court fees totalling £1,472.

A court official said Scholes, who was prosecuted in private hearings under the Single Justice Procedure, did not enter pleas to either charge and was convicted in his absence.

Scholes played 499 times for Man United in a trophy-laden career.

Court documents show his Range

Rover was caught speeding at just after 11.30pm on March 3 on the A649 Halifax Road near Cleckheaton.

Police said Scholes replied to a notice of intended prosecution, confirming he had been the driver.

And court papers noted that he could not be offered an out-of-court settlement with a speed awareness course because he is a 'totter' – as he already had penalty points on his licence and was in line for an automatic ban.

On August 12 Bradford magistrates gave him a six-month driving ban for speeding plus a £220 fine, £120 costs and £88 victim surcharge.

In the second case, his Mercedes broke the speed limit on the A670 near Ashton-under-Lyne last November 14.

Police said two letters were sent to his home asking for confirmation that he had been the speeding driver.

At court, they dropped the speeding allegation but prosecuted him for failing to reply to the letters.

On August 13, Manchester magistrates fined him £660, with six penalty points, £120 costs and a £264 victim surcharge.

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Scholes in playing days



Burglar Charlie Woodford, 27

12 years for serial raider fingered by bag prints

BY CHARLIE FENTON

A SERIAL burglar has been jailed for 12 years after a fingerprint from a Sainsbury's bag for life revealed his identity.

Charlie Woodford, 27, was linked to the theft of goods worth £127,000 between August 2024 and May 2025 in Surrey, Hampshire and Somerset.

He was part of a group of burglars who ransacked a string of businesses, using a crowbar to force entry after hours and targeting cash and stock.

CCTV footage showed them storming into shops with a big white bag, wearing gloves and covering their faces.



Prints were found on bag

Others showed Woodford bragging his car boot was full of stolen goods.

But tests on an orange reusable Sainsbury's bag left at the scene of a burglary at an optician's revealed his fingerprints.

He was arrested in June last year after raids on addresses he was known to use. Among items recovered was a stolen caravan containing packaging and stocktake reports attributed to four burglaries.

Videos on his phone also show him sat in the back of a car leaning on bulging sacks of stolen goods.

At Southampton crown court Woodford, of Southampton, admitted charges of robbery and conspiracy to commit burglary covering 19 offences.

He will serve two consecutive sentences totalling 12 years and six months. A police spokesman said: "His downfall was complacency."



Lewis & Kim in hol position

BY NADEEM BADSHAH

SMITTEN Lewis Hamilton and Kim Kardashian strike a romantic pose in front of the mirror.

The Formula 1 driver, 41, and reality TV star, 45, shared a string of snaps from their getaway.

They were also seen walking arm in arm along the seafront, with Lewis's heavily tattooed back on display.

But it was only a short break for Lewis - he is back in action for Ferrari at the Dutch Grand Prix this Sunday.



A fantastic gesture

BY JERRY LAWTON

SIR Kevin Sinfield says having a horse race named in honour of his final multi-marathon fundraising challenge is a "fantastic gesture".

Racing chiefs have called tomorrow's 3pm race at York the Sir Kevin Sinfield 7 In 7 Grand Finale



Sir Kevin Sinfield

Sir Kev's racing honour for marathon challenge

Handicap. It is dedicated to the rugby league legend's seventh and final campaign to run seven ultra-marathons

in seven days to raise cash for Motor Neurone Disease research.

Kevin, 45, started his charity work after his former Leeds Rhinos teammate Rob Burrow was stricken by the

condition in 2019. Rob died in 2024 aged 41. Kevin said: "It is a fantastic gesture to dedicate such a prestigious race at the Ebor meeting to promote the 7 In 7 Grand Finale challenge."

Kevin's run will kick off at Hull KR's Sewell Group Craven Park stadium on September 27. He will visit the grounds of all 12 Super League clubs before arriving at Old Trafford, Manchester for the Grand Final on October 3.

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YORK RACING LATEST: SEE PULLOUT

HOW DRUGS TEAM FINALLY

EXCLUSIVE
BY KAREN ROCKETT

He had no bank account and no national insurance number yet, as his notorious nickname "The Milkman" suggested, he always delivered.

In the 1990s Brian Brendan Wright, Britain's biggest cocaine trafficker, lived a lavish lifestyle funded by crime without any paper trail.

A regular fixture at Ascot races and Tramp nightclub in London thanks to his string of racehorses and celebrity friends, he was a top-ranking criminal hiding in plain sight.

Now, for the first time, the customs officers who spent 11 years hunting him down and bringing him to justice tell their story in a six-part series of BBC Radio 5 Live's podcast, Gangster.

Graham Honey, a gruff, plain-speaking Scotsman known as the "Honey Monster", was Gold Command on Operation Extend, the investigation into Wright's cocaine smuggling operation.

"It was a case of the Honey Monster chasing the Milkman," he smiles. "I got that nickname working in Barbados for the drugs team where everyone had nicknames."

Now 72 and long since retired from His Majesty's Customs and Excise, Graham says: "I was really a small cog in the wheel to catch Brian Brendan Wright (or BBW as he calls him).

"Some of the team had spent years tracking him down and it was very important we got him. You felt the weight of responsibility on you. After he absconded to North Cyprus and then moved to Spain I just wanted to get this man for everyone on the team who had worked so hard to find him.

"BBW was right at the top, one of the biggest cocaine criminals and catching him was vital in terms of stopping cocaine coming into Britain."

In the six-part series, presenter and investigative journalist Livvy Haydock explores how Wright's operation moved industrial quantities of cocaine from labs in Colombia, through smuggling routes in Venezuela's jungles, to bulk shipments across the Atlantic ending up in Britain's marinas in coastal towns.

And all the while he built a seemingly respectable life within horse racing circles as a cover for his champagne lifestyle.

Among Livvy's other interviewees for the series is Graham's colleague and close friend Barry Clarke, another former customs officer for Operation Extend who did much of the leg work.

He spent a decade tracing pay phones, breaking codes and building intelligence on a drugs network that rarely communicated directly. On Wright, Barry says: "He

The 11-year hunt to track down Britain's COCAINE KINGPIN

Trafficker ran global network & had lavish lifestyle

was one of the smartest guys I've ever come across. He's got that street sense. He's a very bright, sharp individual. He understands life.

"And it was someone who was very careful in the way he operated. He had a strong reputation within UK criminality."

The podcast takes listeners back to Wright's humble beginnings in Dublin where he was born in 1946 to a working-class family.

The family moved to Kilburn in North West London to look for work and young Brian quickly realised that delivering goods to market traders and transporting bets from the pubs to the bookies was more fun and lucrative than being in school.

Wright, who was eventually sent to borstal for two years for frequent truancy, never paid a single penny of tax in his life and when the law finally caught up with him, he was said "not to exist" on paper. He was also believed to be illiterate.

"I don't know if he passed any exams but he was the brightest man I ever encountered," Barry says.

Kilburn was a rough, very Irish area in the 1960s when the young Brian learned his trade – a long way from Chelsea Harbour and the luxury apartment where he ended up living on the proceeds of his drugs empire.

Livvy says: "Wright spent years being the man nobody could quite pin down. Gangsters always appear attractive to celebrities and vice versa and he became part of that world."

Operation Extend began when the Sea Mist, a fishing boat, was boarded by Irish customs officers in September 1996 in Cobh harbour, County Cork, and found to

be carrying 1,323lb of cocaine hidden inside a dumb-waiter shaft, one of the largest drugs seizures in Irish history. The drugs were destined for Wright, soon to be investigated by Scotland

Yard and the Jockey Club over allegations of race-fixing.

As police dug deeper, linking more vessels and gang members to the illicit activity, they discovered a transatlantic ocean drug-smuggling operation originating in South America and the Caribbean, and ending in Devon and Cornwall.

Decoy boats were operated to attract the attention of, and

“He didn't take a gun out and shoot my brother but to him a death from cocaine was nothing

CLARE CAMPBELL ON BILL'S DEATH

Journalist Livvy Haydock

SNARED 'THE MILKMAN'



Brian Brendan Wright, who was finally snared



One of gang's seized yachts and illicit cash



Huge haul of drugs from the case

bamboozle, customs officers to get as many drugs across continents as possible. Livvy says: "It all begins on this boat in Cobh one night and just spreads further and further out to the worlds of horse racing, betting, doping and the Colombian jungle – the story seemed to have everything. "I really wanted to unpack not just The Milkman's personal background but the background of the times and how widespread and mainstream cocaine was in the UK during the Nineties, and how in the world of horse racing jockeys use cocaine to keep their weight down."

The series also explores the human impact of the cocaine trade.

Clare Campbell speaks about the death of her brother, journalist Bill Frost, whose life was consumed by

addiction, a stark reminder of the lives destroyed by the drugs being brought into Britain by The Milkman.

Bill was a Dulwich College scholarship boy and Oxford University graduate, who joined the BBC and became a war correspondent.

But after he became friends with Kevin Hanley, The Milkman's right-hand man, he inadvertently got drawn into a world of violence and addiction. Clare says: "It was terrible what happened to my brother. I can't put it into words. He was always so handsome and talented, a really admirable and brilliant journalist."

In the series, Clare describes bumping into her brother in the street at the height of his cocaine addiction.

"I didn't recognise him," she says. "He looked like a 6ft skeleton with his eyes on stalks. He was like a demon."

Twenty five years since his death, Clare laments that he was unable to be an uncle to her son Joe, who was just four years old when Bill died.

She was at Wright's trial in 2007.

"I know Brian Brendan Wright didn't take a gun out and shoot my brother, but when I saw him in the dock I did feel anger against someone to whom a death from cocaine is nothing and who makes his living out of other people's misery," she says.

As the investigation closed in on Wright, allegations of race-fixing and doping saw his Chelsea Harbour flat raided by police. Rumours were going around that Wright wasn't just

watching races, but shaping them. It was later claimed by former jockey turned trainer Dermot Brown that he had doped 20 horses for BBW. A coterie of jockeys were in his pay and supplying him with information for the purposes of betting.

Meanwhile, the net was closing in on Wright's other business – cocaine. A raid on an Essex lock-up uncovered £61million of cocaine hidden in holdalls and arrests reached from Colombian suppliers all the way to



Customs official Graham Honey

Wright's own son, Brian Junior. Wright fled abroad to become one of Britain's most wanted fugitives. He was eventually traced to the Costa del Sol thanks to phone tracing work by Barry and others, and arrested and extradited to the UK to face trial.

Graham Honey says of the case in the run-up to the trial: "It becomes all-consuming. Nothing else matters, seven days a week. You want to be successful. You don't want to mess it up. BBW offered one of my colleagues at the court a bet, a million to one, he wasn't going to be convicted."

"My colleague, who still works in customs, told me, 'I gave him a pound, now I'm going to get a million back'. Needless to say BBW didn't pay up."

The Milkman was found guilty of running an international cocaine smuggling empire on April 3, 2007, at Woolwich crown court. He got 30 years' jail.

Comedian Jim Davidson, a friend of Wright's since the 80s, who became godfather to his son, had been a character witness at his trial, describing him as "kind and generous".

Davidson even owned a stake in a racehorse with the international drug smuggler and race-fixer. But there's no suggestion that the star was aware of Wright's criminal activity.

Other friends of The Milkman included Charlie Wilson, one of the Great Train Robbers – the gang's treasurer – and the London gangster Roy Adkins, also a drug smuggler of primarily cannabis.

The Milkman would entertain them in private boxes at Ascot and Newmarket until both were shot dead in 1990.

But while his friends may have remained loyal, one by one the people who once moved his cocaine for him turned against him.

In total, there were 20 criminals captured, including his son Brian Junior, son-in-law Paul Shannon and former jockey Barrie Wright.

From Colombian cartels to the streets of Britain, it was the end of the milk round.

Wright was released from prison in April 2020, having served half his sentence, and was approached to take part in the podcast.

A spokesperson for Wright said: "Mr Wright appreciates the interest in his story but has chosen not to participate in the podcast."

"He wishes the producers of it well."

Host Livvy concludes: "It would have been fascinating to speak with The Milkman but he didn't want to."

"Last I heard he was in London still."

Graham adds: "Maybe if we had had more time we could have gone after the money, not just the powder."

■ The BBC Radio 5 Live podcast Gangster: The Story of The Milkman is available on BBC Sounds now.

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Spoons boss Sir Tim Martin

Time called on noisy phone use at Spoons

BY ROSIE SHEAD

JD Wetherspoon has banned customers from playing music and taking calls on speaker after complaints the noise was driving people nuts.

The chain announced on Monday that it had introduced the ban across its 792 pubs.

The company said sounds from smartphones and tablet computers had become an increasing problem in recent years.

It said: "Following complaints from customers, who are being driven nuts by other people's videos and amplified phone conversations, we have asked customers to switch their phones to silent or to use earphones."

Founder Sir Tim Martin said: "In a world dominated by other people's music and amplified sound, Wetherspoon pubs are an oasis of tranquillity and contemplation."

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"In order to avoid customers being driven chicken jalfrezi by a cacophony of sound, we are kindly asking phone users to pipe down."

The Liberal Democrats have previously called for fines of up to £1,000 for headphone dodgers who play music out loud on buses and trains.

A YouGov poll published last year suggested 62% of people would back the move, with 28% saying they would oppose the Lib Dems' proposed fines.

Three-quarters of pensioners would support the fines, while young adults were split 47-43 in favour, the poll of 6,815 people found.

London Mayor Sir Sadiq Khan last year rolled out a campaign encouraging people to use headphones when playing music on the city's transport network.



Record 851lb bluefin tuna caught in 1933



Massive bluefin is lifted out of vessel in Whitby

Some-fin incredible

BY PAUL VASS

FISHERMEN bring ashore what is thought to be the first bluefin tuna caught and landed in the North Sea for almost 90 years.

The 746lb fish was caught off Whitby, North Yorkshire, by the crew of local vessel Dominator.

Due to overfishing of herring stocks, the big game species

disappeared from the North Sea in the 1960s. Over the last 10 years they have returned in huge numbers off the UK's south-west coast and they now appear to have returned to the North Sea.

Whitby still holds the British record for a bluefin tuna on rod and line; an 851lb monster caught in 1933 by L. Mitchell-Henry.



MRI scan cuts need for prostate cancer biopsy

BY MARTIN BAGOT Health Editor

MEN with prostate cancer could skip biopsies and get treatment sooner, a new study shows.

Research by University College London Hospitals found that some patients can get a reliable diagnosis just from MRI scans.

Biopsies are routine NHS procedures but patients can face delays getting them and they can lead to infections.

The procedure involves removing a piece of the suspected tumour site via a needle. Samples are examined under a

Chance for swifter treatment



Scans can get a quick diagnosis

microscope to check for cancerous cells. After a trial of 880 men, UCLH consultant radiologist Alex Kirkham said: "There is a group of patients in whom prostate cancer is close to certain based on MRI findings."

"In future this may enable treatment without the need for biopsy. If we can confirm these findings in larger, multi-centre studies, it could mean some men reach treatment faster." Radiologists

looked at MRI scans and were asked if they were "99% certain" there was a tumour, "90% certain" or "less than 90%".

Of the 69 patients medics deemed to be "99% certain", all of them had cancer confirmed by a later biopsy.

Dr Matthew Hobbs of Prostate Cancer UK said: "Avoiding unnecessary biopsies is an important goal. Our existing research is making progress towards reducing biopsies for men who don't have prostate cancer, but this is a step suggesting we might also be able to reduce the burden on men who do."

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Actor **Ray Winstone** on not drinking and conquering diabetes

BY **MARK JEFFERIES**
Showbiz Editor

Ray Winstone is back on his feet, having won a three-month bout with agonising shingles and also given his Type 2 diabetes a walloping.

The hardman star of films including *Scum*, *Nil By Mouth* and *Sexy Beast* is glad to be on form as the second series of gangster drama *The Gentlemen* is out next month.

Ray, 69, said: "I had shingles in November. Yeah, and it took me till February to get over that. Yeah, really is horrible. I had to stop training for a little while because I go for walks and all that, and now I'm just getting back into it."

"But now I'm kind of feeling probably the best I've felt for years."

Ray, crime lord Bobby Glass in the Netflix show, added that he has cut out drinking, and reversed his Type 2 diabetes with a simple adjustment to his diet.

He said of being diagnosed: "So that was one of the reasons I stopped drinking, you know, made up my mind I was going to do that."

"Having said that I thought, I eat a lot of sugar, you know, I do."

"It's in drinks, it's in Coca-Cola, it's in everything. So, I stopped it, and within five months I didn't have

When I have been a good boy, I will have a bowl of ice cream with treacle and nuts



Ray as Bobby Glass in first series of *The Gentlemen*

Type 2 no more." But Ray admits that every now and then he falls off the wagon – the sugar one, not the booze one.

He said: "I'll have in the fridge caramel ice cream, salted caramel ice cream. And every now and then, all right, because I've been a good boy, I've done everything the right way, I'll get a dish, I'll get a bowl and I'll put me caramel ice cream in, loads of it. With a load of dribble of honey over. Or treacle and nuts."

Ray also told Waitrose podcast Dish that when he is not making films or doing TV work, he is spending more and more of his time living on Italian island Sicily.

The Hackney-born West Ham fan, who has three daughters with wife Elaine, explained: "There's some sort of reality and sort of earthiness about the place, and I kind of felt at home."

"And going to the towns, you know, kids just running about, it was like London was, or the East End was, 40 years ago, in a way. So maybe as I've got older... you yearn for that kind of community."

■ Dish from Waitrose is available on all podcast providers.

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RAY WINSTONE ON SICILY



With daughter Jaime and wife Elaine in 2024



Ray as Gary in 2000 movie *Sexy Beast*

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Amazing Grease

Auction of Olivia Newton-John's personal memorabilia set to make thousands for her charity



Her Tiffany & Co travel perfume flask is up for grabs



Custom gold record for Clearly Love



Her jacket designed by Camilla Frank is a lot

EXCLUSIVE BY MARC BAKER

Fans of Olivia Newton-John remain hopelessly devoted to the star four years after her death, lodging bids seven times over the estimate for personal mementos that are going under the hammer today.

Seven years have passed since the leather jacket and skin-tight trousers she wore as Sandy Olsson to dance with John Travolta's Danny Zuko in the 1978 film *Grease* made £314,000 at auction.

Now the late star's husband, John Easterling, has sold The Indian Way estate on the Santa Ynez River in California, where she spent her final days, for £6million and is putting 209

items – ranging from signed photos to her clothes – under the hammer in LA.

Olivia died from breast cancer on August 8, 2022 and some of the sale proceeds will go to the Olivia Newton-John Foundation, which sponsors research into plant medicine for cancer.

Film producer John, who married Olivia following a whirlwind romance in 2008, said: "Olivia and I made many wonderful memories at our home in Florida and the ranch in California."

"I can see a new family having great nature adventures and relishing the life experience."

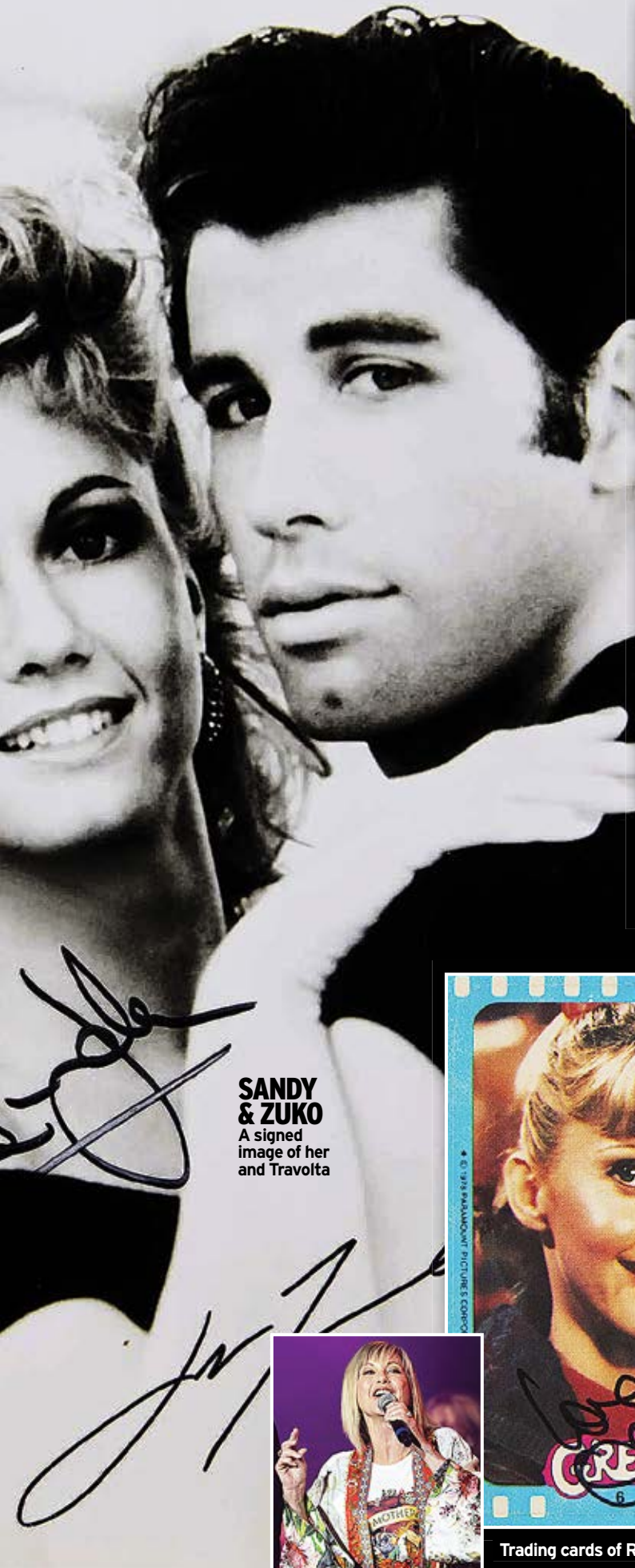
At today's sale, hosted by Julien's Auctions, the star lot is a certificate of Olivia, who was born in Cambridge, received when she was awarded an

honorary OBE by Queen Elizabeth II in 1978, signed "Elizabeth R", which is expected to fetch up to £1,500.

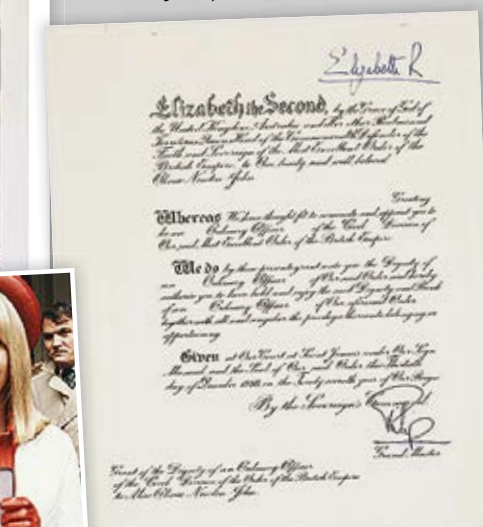
Spokeswoman Mozell Miley-Baker said: "Normally a certificate of this kind would mention the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland first. But Great Britain and Northern Ireland have, and Australia stands in their place."

"Olivia was awarded her OBE for services to the performing arts in Australia and overseas. Her address recorded by The Crown, is Los Angeles."

"Olivia, a woman born in England, claimed by Australia, living in California, was honoured by the British monarch on the recommendation of a government in Canberra, and the paperwork was posted to an American address."

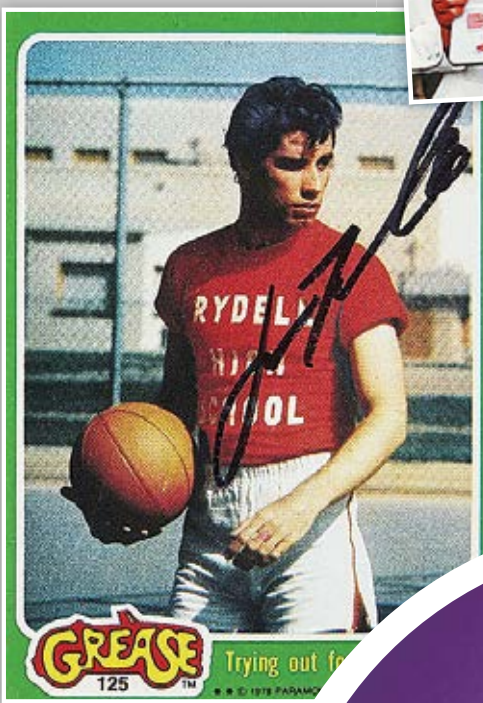


Signed poster of Grease movie



Receiving OBE , royal letter and T-shirt

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A signed
image of her
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Trading cards of Rydell sweethearts, autographed by Olivia and John



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Olivia’s OBE in 1978 celebrated a phenomenal year, when Grease, which grossed £250m, opened in cinemas and two hit singles, You’re the One That I Want and Summer Nights, topped British charts for 16 weeks.

She received her OBE the following year at Buckingham Palace, and in the 2020 New Year Honours she became a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire for services to charity, cancer research and entertainment.

The auction also includes clothes by her favourite Australian designer, Camilla Franks, including a jacket, the T-shirt she wore at her last gig in 2020,

and a kimono worn a year before her death, which is expected to fetch £450.

A 1975 custom-made gold record award for her 1975 album Clearly Love is also up for grabs. Her sewing box has an estimate of £200, and a heart-shaped perfume travel flask by Tiffany & Co is listed at £450.

A collection of photos depicting her childhood has received bids of £1,100, against a £400 estimate. Two signed Grease posters had a guide price of £500, but bids have reached £2,500 so far. A batch of collectors’ cards, depicting Grease stars, has attracted a bid of £750, 20 times the £35 estimate.

Mozell said even before becoming a star, Olivia had a fascinating back story.

She said: “Her father, Brinley Newton-John, was a Welsh academic who had served as an MI5 officer attached to the Enigma project at Bletchley Park.

“Her mother, Irene, had come to Britain from Germany in 1933 with a family fleeing the Nazi regime. Irene’s father was a physicist whose work on quantum mechanics won a Nobel Prize.

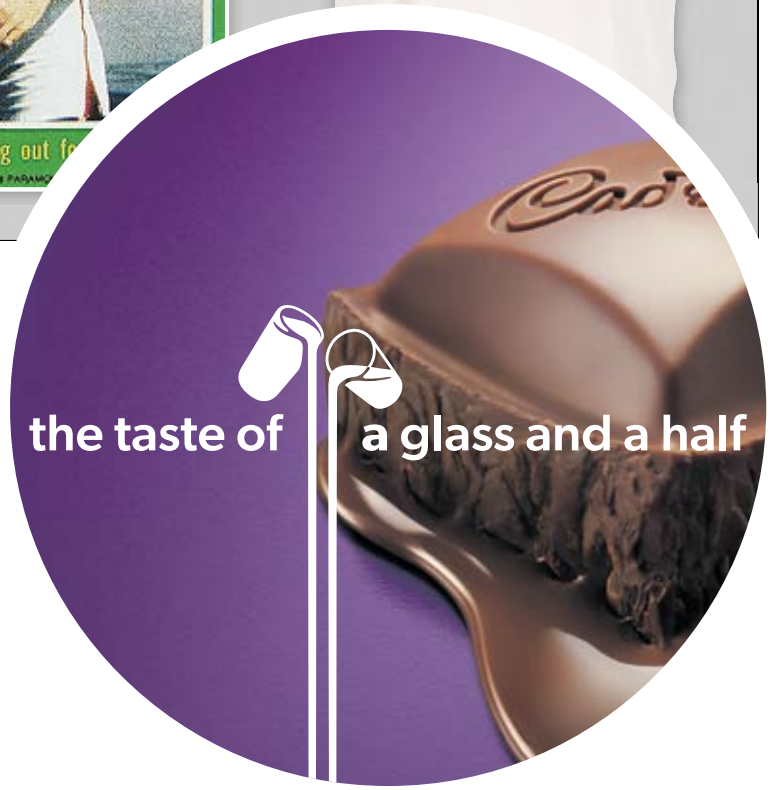
“In 1954, when Olivia was five, her father was appointed Master of Ormond College at Melbourne University.

“Olivia left school early, won a talent contest, and collected the prize: a trip to London. She sailed to England in 1964, still in her teens, and became one of the world’s most famous women.”

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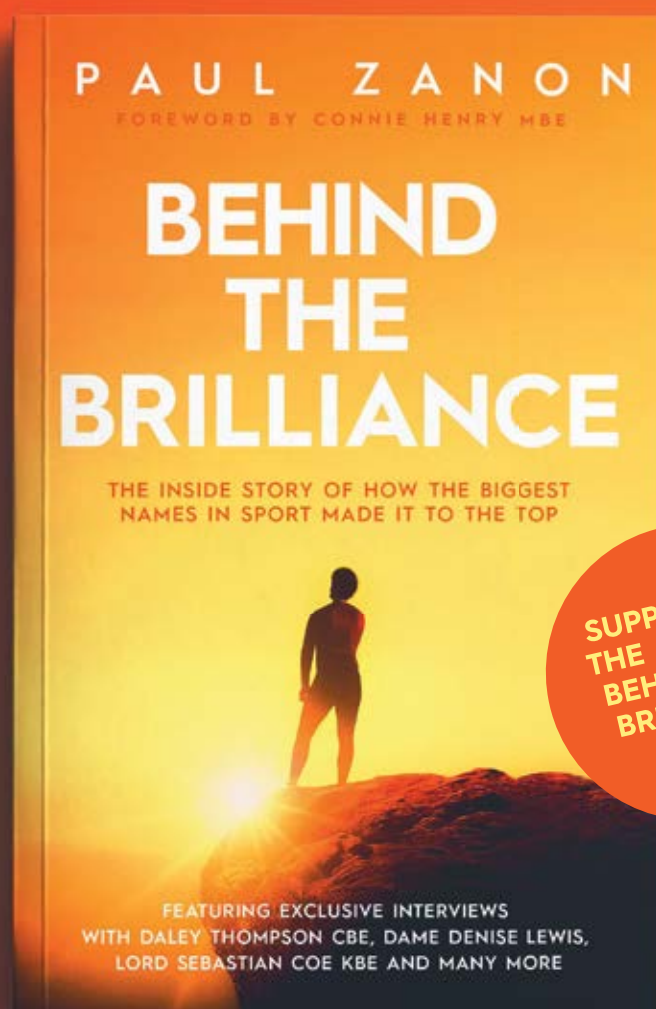
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Hands up for cutting your school stress

*As the cost of school uniform shoots up to more than £140, **LEVI WINCHESTER** shares lessons on keeping prices down*

The school holidays are flying by and for many parents, the cost of sending kids back to school is a worry. One of the biggest expenses is school uniform. The average yearly spend on it has climbed to £141.15 in 2026, up from £108.59 in 2025, research by MyVoucherCodes found. But new rules have been announced that could help bring your bill down. More children will also be entitled to free school meals from next month too, to help with rising food costs. Here is what you need to know.

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM RULES

Most primary schools in England will only be able to ask parents to buy a maximum of three branded uniform items per child from this September.

Secondary and middle schools can require up to four items if one of them is a tie. Schools are already advised to keep these items to a minimum.

The government says the changes will save some families up to £50 per child. Around three in five (61%) think limiting branded items will save them money, according to a Money Wellness survey, but 30% don't expect to see any saving at all.

SAVE MONEY ON UNIFORM

You could get up to £200 toward school uniform costs if you are on a low income, claiming benefits receiving free school meals.

School uniform grants are provided by all councils in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, and some in England. It is not a statutory requirement in England, which means councils do not have to offer it. The exact eligibility criteria also varies between councils. Some charities offer grants to help cover uniform costs if you are on low income or claim benefits. Turn2Us has a free grants search tool.

It is also worth keeping an eye on local buy and sell Facebook groups for other parents selling school uniform.

NEW FREE SCHOOL MEAL RULES

Free school meals will be available to all children in families who receive Universal Credit from next month, regardless of their income. Previously, there was an annual earnings threshold of £7,400 in order to qualify. It is estimated



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that removing this will mean 500,000 more kids will be eligible for free school meals. All children in reception or years 1 and 2 in England automatically get free school meals. After that, only households in receipt of certain benefits are eligible.

In Scotland, children from primary one to primary five get free school meals. If you are in Wales, all primary school pupils get free school meals. In Northern Ireland,

free school meals are not given automatically, instead all parents claiming benefits have to apply. If your child goes to private school, you don't normally receive free school meals.

SAVE MONEY ON PACKED LUNCHES

You can also save with DIY lunches, instead of spending money on supermarket sandwiches and wraps.

Bread can be safely frozen and defrosted, which should mean zero food waste when planning for the week ahead.

Or if you can, make extra dinner that can be served the next day at lunchtime.

In terms of snacks, save money by buying food in bulk or multipacks, then portion them out each day, instead of purchasing individual portions.

Finally, swap expensive bottles of drink

and juice boxes for a refillable bottle. As a side note, NHS England recommends always including some veg in your child's lunchbox.

It suggests cherry tomatoes, or sticks of carrot, cucumber, celery and peppers as easy ways to help get their five a day.

Adding a small pot of reduced-fat hummus or other dips might help keep kids interested.



YOUR MONEY

FOCUS
ON YOUR
FINANCES

By SIOBHAN MCNALLY



Want to finish work decades faster while you're young? There is a financial movement where this is possible, but it's not easy

A money management strategy and minimalist lifestyle called FIRE (Financial Independence Retire Early) is currently getting more traction as the old rules are being torn up. "The retirement age is increasing so people face having to work for more years and they're living longer," says Rajan Lakhani, personal finance expert and head of money at Plum.

"And now with the extra challenges Gen Z is facing with the cost-of-living crisis and high housing costs, there's more of a momentum behind FIRE."

What does FIRE actually look like in practice? Here is everything that you need to know about this retirement finance strategy...

WHAT IS THE AIM OF FIRE?

"FIRE is all about maximising the amount of money saved and invested to achieve financial independence at an early retirement age, so you don't have to carry on working into your 50s and 60s," says Lakhani.

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT WAYS TO ACHIEVE LEAN FIRE, FAT FIRE AND BARISTA FIRE?

Early retirement looks different to everybody and FIRE has three approaches. "Lean FIRE is for people who have a frugal lifestyle and want an early, minimalist retirement. They earn enough to cover costs but save aggressively to retire early," explains Lakhani.

"Fat FIRE is for people who want a higher standard of living and retirement, it requires more wealth and a higher income.

Invest your way to a very early retirement

While Barista FIRE is a hybrid approach where you choose semi-retirement. Many people just want to continue working for the camaraderie and to keep some money coming in."

WHAT'S THE BEST AGE TO START FIRE?

The sooner you start, the better.

"Gen Z has the best opportunity to achieve this goal of retiring early, but it's a big lifestyle sacrifice," he warns.

"If early millennials in their 40s haven't started by now, it's going to be very difficult for them to retire early, but they might be able to achieve Barista FIRE."

IS FIRE REALISTIC FOR THE AVERAGE PERSON?

The FIRE method is not for everyone. "FIRE savers need mental discipline, be wholly committed and it helps to start really early," says Lakhani. "These are people who can stick to their goals while seeing friends going out enjoying themselves."

He adds: "A big part of it is also earning a higher income and making progress in their career – and not everyone is able to do that."

HOW DO I START BEING FIRE?

There are lots of tools available to make saving and investing easier. "Our customers connect their bank account to us then our algorithm works out how much to save. They regularly tell

us they didn't realise they could save that much," says Lakhani. "Mortgage rate rises and increased food prices has made saving more of a challenge but then 4-5% interest rates on savings is a decent return."

The key is to make your money work harder.

"I would recommend maxing out tax-efficient vehicles like ISAs and that you start investing," suggests Lakhani.

"In your 20s, you get 15-20 years' market growth. Shop around to find low-cost and commission-free providers, diversify investments and give yourself the time to go through market peaks and troughs."

WHAT ARE THE DOWNSIDES?

"The extreme sacrifice in the prime of life can be tough," reflects Lakhani. "Also, who knows what your health is going to be like in 30 years? That sacrifice could be misplaced."

"Investments are also at the mercy of the markets and there will be changes to state rules around the benefits, tax and social care regulations."

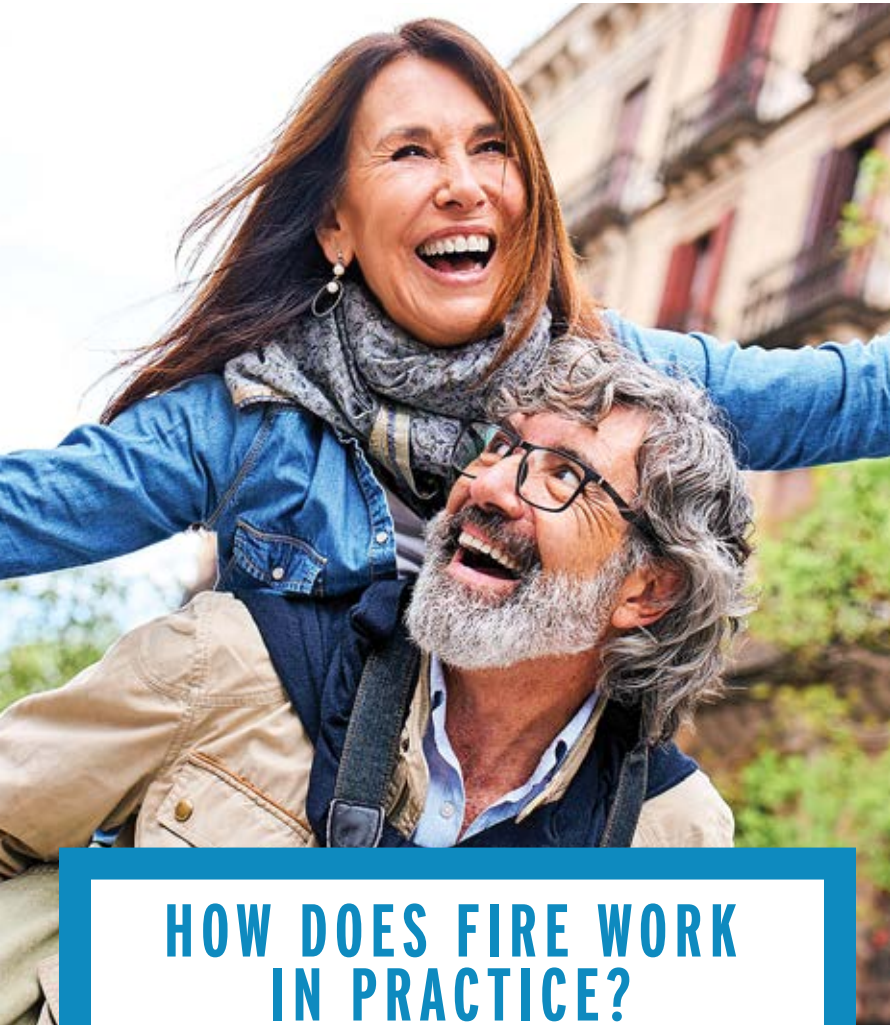
WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

"The main benefit is the freedom to live longer and later on your own terms and not having to have the pressure of the daily grind," concludes Lakhani. "It gives people the opportunity to pursue their true passions."



HOW DO YOU CALCULATE YOUR FIRE?

“The typical way is to multiply your expected annual retirement expenses by 25 to give an achievable nest egg based on you withdrawing 4% a year,” Lakhani explains.
“For example, if you need £30,000 a year, your FIRE number would be £750,000 - and you need to account for compound interest, investment returns, state benefits and any housing assets.”



HOW DOES FIRE WORK IN PRACTICE?

The old financial trope of giving up avocado toast can work for FIRE savers.
“They need to be ruthless about unnecessary expenditure like takeaways,” says Lakhani. “They must budget for essential costs – rent, bills and transport – see what’s remaining and then save 50-70% of that. They must track every penny, review bank statements, cancel unused subscriptions, dress and furnish cheaply and buy second hand.”
A mindset of success is also needed.
“They need to work hard and earn those promotions, or change jobs or start a side hustle,” he adds.

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YOUR MONEY

By KATE LEAHY



PREP
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Lessons needed before university

Helping students with financial realities

As September approaches, many teenagers are gearing up for their first taste of university life. While helping them master essential life skills such as cooking and cleaning is important, preparing them to manage their money independently could be even more valuable.

"For a lot of young students that go to university, it's the first time they've ever had to deal with money independently, and it's not easy," says Jake Butler, student money expert at website Save the Student.

Here are six essential money lessons to teach teens before they flee the nest to help them build healthy financial habits at university from day one...

1 NORMALISE MONEY TALK
While people can feel uncomfortable talking about money, Jake says it's important parents have these conversations with their children.

"The main reason parents should do this is so their child doesn't bury their head in the sand. Some students get into debt because they think 'I'll deal with it another time'.

"If parents are very open with their children about all aspects of money, those conversations can happen and they can help them with any situation."

2 HOW TO BUDGET
"Budgeting is always at the basis of financial learning," says Jake, and one of the best ways to get started is with a spreadsheet.

"Keeping it simple is best. Document what their incomes and outgoings are, then they can find their shortfall."

App-based banks like Monzo and Starling offer useful budgeting tools.

"Depending on how much funding they are eligible for, they could get a few thousand in their account at the start of the term. Teach them it has to cover accommodation, food and living. Get them to split it into monthly amounts."



4 DON'T LIVE BEYOND YOUR MEANS

"Borrowing to live outside of their means is stealing from their future," says Jake. "Teach them how credit cards work and that, if used correctly, how it can help them build their credit score. Help them understand it isn't free money and that it should be paid off in full every month."

Buy Now, Pay Later schemes like Klarna might seem good in theory but they can encourage overspending.

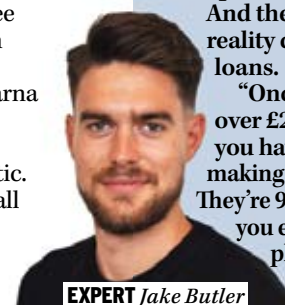
Subscriptions can also be problematic. "Teaching them how to read the small print and how to set reminders to cancel stuff like that is useful," Jake advises.

3 PLAN BEYOND BORROWING
"For the majority of students, the maintenance loan won't cover what is needed to get by. Our National Student Money Survey 2025 found the average maintenance loan from the government will leave a student around £500 a month short," says Jake.

"The survey also found around 52% of students will have help from their parents and 58% have to get a part-time job at some point."

And they need a reality check on loans.

"Once you earn over £25,000 a year, you have to start making repayments. They're 9% of anything you earn over your plan threshold."



EXPERT Jake Butler



JOBS

Edited by LAURETTE ZIEMER

Tomorrow is a big day for hundreds of thousands of teenagers getting their GCSE results, who will be weighing up their options for the future.

Whether heading off to college, finding themselves an apprenticeship, or a job with training, it can all seem scary.

Molly Caffrey, 18, from Preston, Lancs, knows how that all feels. After her GCSEs she wasn't sure what to do but now, only two years on, she is living her best life as a quantity surveying apprentice with Virgin Media O2.

What do you do?

I started last September and day-to-day, I help turn complex information into something useful and easy to act on. That includes managing internal trackers, spotting engineering opportunities, helping coordinate regional delivery plans and supporting financial and grant processes.

It's a really varied role, so no two days feel the same, and I'm constantly building my confidence, learning from the team and developing my knowledge through my apprenticeship qualification.

What do you love about it?

The freedom and responsibility. I feel trusted to get involved in real work that makes a difference, while still having the support around me to learn and ask questions. Every day brings something new, whether a challenge to solve, a new skill to pick up or a chance to contribute to decisions that genuinely matter to the business. It's the kind of experience I don't think I'd get in a traditional classroom environment.

What are the challenges?

One of the biggest is learning how to manage priorities and deadlines at the same time.



RIGHT PATH
Molly chose the apprenticeship route with Virgin Media

A good call after GCSEs

But I enjoy that side of it – it pushes me to problem-solve and think for myself.

There are moments when it's hard, like seeing friends out partying midweek. But I know the long-term opportunities this apprenticeship gives me are worth more than FOMO.

How does study fit in?

I have one study day a week, every Wednesday, where I join an online tutor session and work through coursework. Having that dedicated time helps because it means I can focus on the academic side of the apprenticeship, while the rest of the week is spent applying what I'm learning.

What did you do straight after your GCSEs?

I started doing A-levels but stopped after a year when I realised I was following the route everyone else seemed to be taking rather than stopping

to think about what was right for me. I wanted more than just wondering what my future might look like, I wanted to start building it.

Was it hard to get the apprenticeship?

Yes and no. It was definitely competitive. There were more than 500 people applying for one role and around six stages in the interview process.

What I found reassuring was they weren't looking for someone who already knew everything. They were looking for someone who naturally reflected the company's values and had the potential to grow. I think what helped me most was showing up as myself, being honest and letting my personality come through.

Can you believe it is only two years since your GCSEs?

Honestly, no. When I was doing my GCSEs, I didn't even realise this kind of apprenticeship route was an option. It feels quite surreal, but in the best way, because it shows how quickly things can change when you find a path that works for you.



DEAR COLEEN

My husband won't talk about our failing marriage

Dear Coleen

My husband and I are both 40, we don't have children – it just never happened for us – and have been together for 10 years. I'm sick of pretending our relationship is OK and can't face another decade of the same old thing.

We're a good team, we like the same things and get on well, but there's no affection and sex is a rare occurrence. We're like friends with (occasional) benefits. He's always been very selfish and cut off, and whenever I try to be affectionate, he tenses up or pushes me away. The constant rejection is soul-destroying and being together seems pointless.

It seems that he'd rather ignore the elephant in the room and carry on, like our marriage is some kind of prison sentence to be endured. He's so bad at communicating and being honest about how he feels. If I do try to talk about our relationship, he gets irritated and sulks, which can go on for days, and until things slowly get back to "normal". I find the way he reacts to things so childish and I'm really starting to resent him.

What's going to change things and how can I get through to him?

Coleen says

You mention children not happening for you and I wonder if this was a long-held dream that you had to give up on. And maybe the end of that dream has left you a bit directionless and wondering how you move



'When I try to be affectionate he tenses up or pushes me away'

forward as a couple. It's something to consider and maybe you haven't really faced this disappointment together and talked about what your future looks like without kids. Maybe that's another elephant in the room.

I do understand how difficult it is when a partner won't open up and have the conversations that could help you to figure out what to do. It might sound crazy when you live with someone, but writing a letter to them can be a good way of breaking down the barrier, it's something I've done in the past.

Start by saying that you want to talk, and you know he finds it hard, but you can't keep ignoring the problems in your marriage and, if you can't discuss it and come up with ways to make things better, then you can't carry on. Be really honest about how you feel. I certainly felt better for writing everything down.

The bottom line is, you can't fix something on your own. You could suggest counselling, but unless he's willing to engage, you have a tough choice to make. Good luck.

COLEEN'S WORDS OF WISDOM

Cherish that person who makes you feel lighter and good about yourself when you talk to them. The type of person who accepts you for who you are and offers kindness and support instead of judgement. Invest in that friendship.

PROBLEMS?

Tell Coleen about them and she'll give you an honest answer every weekday. Email: dearcoleen@mirror.co.uk – sorry, but Coleen can't reply personally

There are lots of different options post-GCSE as well as studying A-levels at college and then heading off to university.

T-levels are a two-year, career-focused qualification for 16 to 19-year-olds, and include a 45-day industry placement and are

VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

equivalent to three A-levels. Check out tlevelinfo.org.uk Other vocational qualifications include BTECS (bteworks.com). For apprenticeships,

explore the National Apprenticeship Service (apprenticeships.gov.uk). To follow in Molly's footsteps visit jobs.virginmediao2.co.uk For general information check out the Department for Education's Skills for Life campaign, skillsforcareers.education.gov.uk

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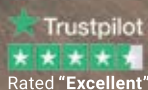
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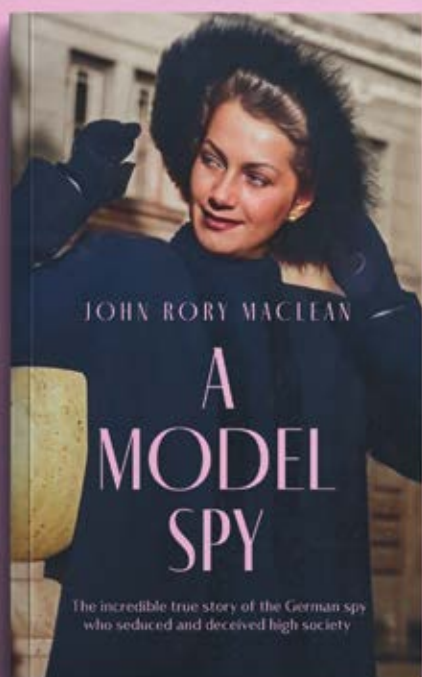
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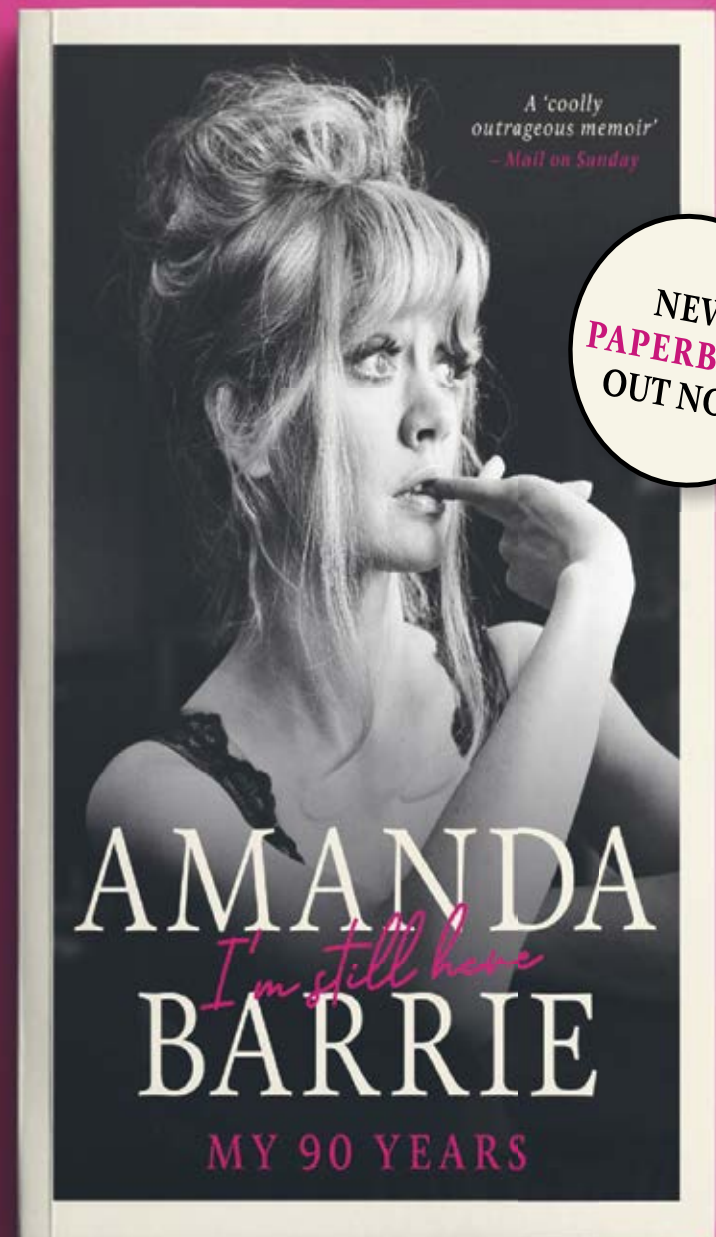
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TODAY'S TV ONES TO WATCH

by **MIKE WARD** TV critic

Pick of the day
FAKE OR FORTUNE? WHAT HAPPENED NEXT, BBC1, 8PM



CELEBRITY MASTERCHEF, BBC1, 9PM

"We've invited a very special guest to the MasterChef kitchen," co-host Grace Dent says tonight. That very special guest having presumably turned them down, in strolls Paddy McGuinness. (Sorry, couldn't resist).

Paddy is known, Grace has reminded the five aproned-up celebrities, for "his straight talking, his fabulous sense of humour and his unmistakable northern charm". Which must come as something of a relief for them.

Straight talking? Fine.

Sense of humour? Fair enough.

Northern charm? No problem.

Imagine if she'd told them: "Paddy is known for his knowledge of food."

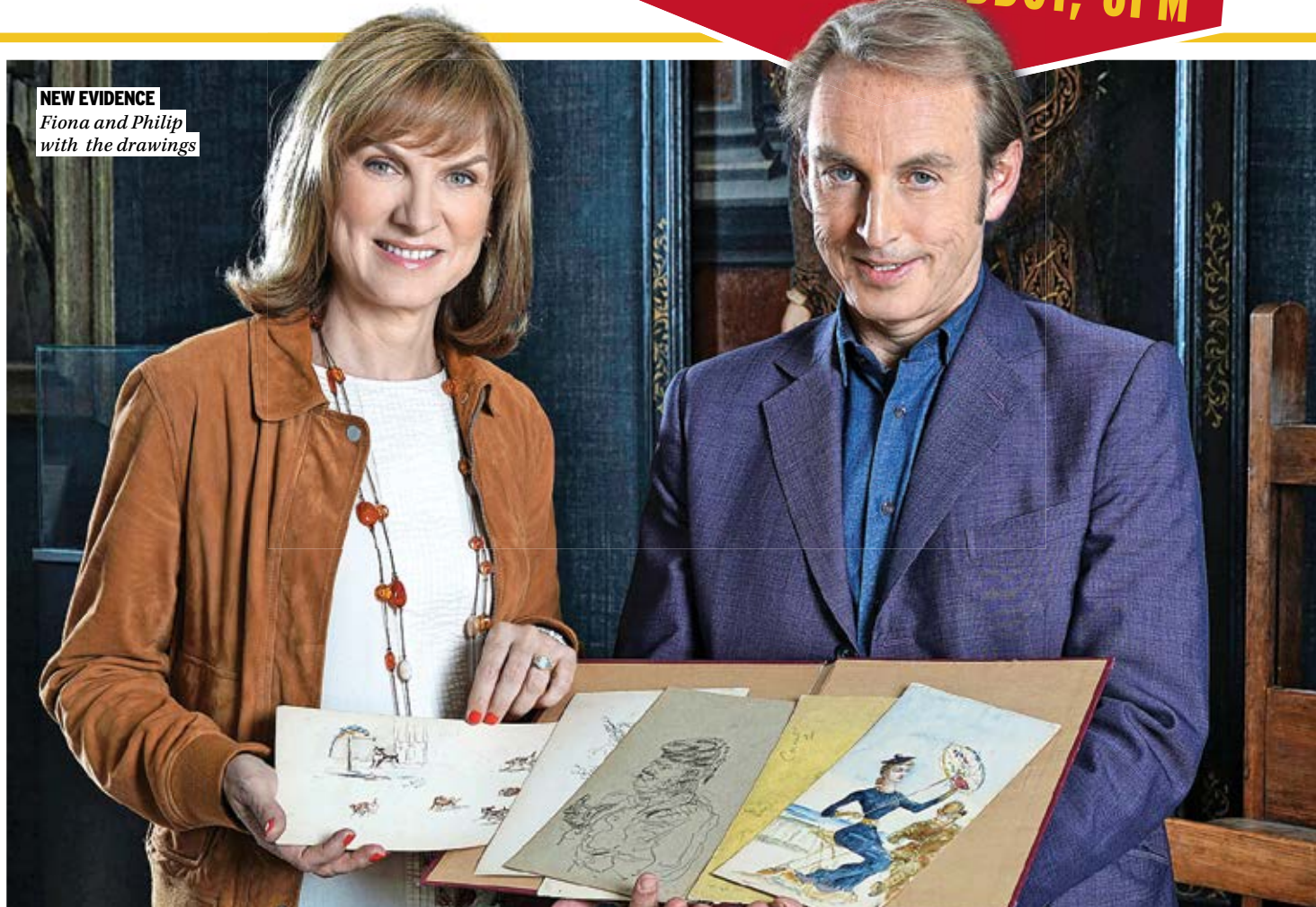


EXTRAORDINARY EXTENSIONS, C4, 8PM

YOU know when you decide one of your rooms needs a lick of paint, or maybe new curtains? You know how this can trigger a domino effect?

"While we're doing this," you think, "we might as well do that, and maybe this, and maybe that..." and suddenly your DIY job has escalated into Project Mad, so crazy that a C4 property show wants to film it, so viewers can sit on the sofa on a Wednesday night and go: "Have these people lost their minds?"

Well, Michelle and Simon, the pair Tinie Tempah meets tonight, decided one day to convert their loft. "It just spiralled from there..." says Michelle.



NEW EVIDENCE
Fiona and Philip
with the drawings

FAKE FRENCH CONNECTION FOR FIONA?

DO YOU remember an episode of Fake Or Fortune from 2018, where a bunch of drawings found in a garden shed in France were believed to be the early work of legendary French artist Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, but then turned out not to be, or at least not definitely to be?

Do you remember the frustration of Alain, the man who owned them, who had hoped they might be worth hundreds of thousands of things called "euros"?

Me, I actually think I do. Remember it, I mean. (Bear in mind I can struggle even to remember what happened on last night's EastEnders. I'll just remember it involved a lot of shouting.)

Anyway, tonight's catch-up episode picks up this story to see if there have been any new

developments. And would you believe there have? Yes, of course, you would.

The BBC wouldn't have made a catch-up episode if nothing new had happened, would they? They're not idiots.

Well, yes, all right, good point – but they are not when it comes to shows like this, let's be fair.

The key point at the end of the original episode was that the committee of experts who'd originally insisted these sketches weren't Toulouse-Lautrec's seemed to be wavering. Compelling new evidence had been sent to them.

Now they were simply saying they hadn't time to wade through it all, or words to that effect. Lazy so-and-sos.

So at least it was no longer an outright

"non". It had become a "peut-être". Which was "progrès". "If you can keep your fighting spirit going," Philip had told Alain, "you never know what the outcome might be."

Fast-forward to now and Fiona returns to Bordeaux, to catch up with Alain and his wife Caroline and to speak to them in French, which she's good at.

Among the stuff Caroline has found during her own research is a rough sketch of a horse.

It turns out Toulouse-Lautrec painted a picture of a horse (called Gazelle) and – get this – the horses look similar.

One of them looks like a horse, and so does the other. It's amazing.

Back in London, an excited Philip thinks this is "highly persuasive" evidence.

I can't wait to hear if the experts agree.



BEST COMEDY

WOULD I LIE TO YOU? U&A, 8.20PM

Alan Davies, Richard Osman, Germaine Greer and Jermaine Jenas bolster the efforts of team captains David Mitchell and Lee Mack. Hosted by Rob Brydon



BEST DRAMA

PROFESSOR T ITVI, 9PM

It's a sombre start as Dr Helena Goldberg (Juliet Stevenson) tries to break through to Prof Jasper Tempest (Ben Miller, above) following the death of DI Lisa Donckers.



BEST REALITY

BATTLE OF THE IRISH DANCERS SKYARTS, 9PM

In the second of this three-part series, cameras follow the dedicated dancers and their teachers as they prepare for the Irish Dancing Championships in Dublin.



BEST DOC

MARY BEARD'S ULTIMATE ROME BBC4, 9.15PM

The classicist looks at citizenship and identity, including what it meant to be, or become Roman, and how the different parts of the empire reacted to Roman rule.

TODAY'S PREVIEW
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RATINGS

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(R) REPEAT

ALL PROGRAMMES
ARE LISTED IN
BRITISH SUMMER
TIME (BST).

BBC One

6.00am **Breakfast** News headlines.
9.30 **Countryfile Treasures** (R)
10.30 **Garden Rescue** (R)
11.15 **Homes Under the Hammer**
The progress of properties in
Liverpool, Staffordshire
and Nottinghamshire.
12.15pm **Bargain Hunt** (R)
1.00 **BBC News at One; Weather**
2.00 **Money for Nothing** Sarah
Moore is on the lookout for
quality items she can save and
sell on at Witley recycling
centre in Surrey, and hangs
her hopes on making cash
from puncturing copper.
2.45 **Escape to the Country**
Alistair Appleton helps an
artistic couple escape to the
Scottish Highlands. (R)
3.30 **The Repair Shop** The experts
restore a village sign, an
organ, a shop till and
1940s cinema seats. (R)
4.30 **The Answer Run** Quiz,
hosted by Jason Manford.
5.15 **Pointless** Quiz show, with
co-host Nish Kumar. (R)
6.00 **BBC News at Six; Weather**
6.30 **Regional News; Weather**

BBC Two

6.15am **Homes Under the
Hammer** Properties. (R)
7.15 **Money for Nothing** (R)
8.00 **Sign Zone: Great Japanese
Railway Journeys** (R)
8.30 **Sign Zone: Great
Continental Railway
Journeys** Corsica. (R)
9.00 **BBC News**
1.00pm **Richard Osman's House
of Games** Gameshow. (R)
1.30 **The Finish Line** Quiz. (R)
2.15 **Do You Know Your Place?**
The contestants demonstrate
their knowledge of Paisley. (R)
2.45 **Animal Park Summer** (R)
3.30 **Serengeti II** The young
animals learn to hunt in the
aftermath of the flood. (R)
4.30 **Vintage Antiques
Roadshow** At Lake Bala. (R)
5.15 **Flog It!** From Barrow Hill
Roundhouse in Derbyshire. (R)
6.00 **Richard Osman's House of
Games** With Edith Bowman,
Rhys James, Anita Rani
and Simon Rimmer. (R)
6.30 **Bear Grylls: Wild Reckoning**
The adventurer revisits some
of the people he helped. (R)

ITV1

6.00am **Good Morning Britain**
Magazine featuring a lively mix
of news and current affairs,
plus health and entertainment.
10.00 **This Morning** Topical daily
magazine, featuring a mix of
celebrity chat, showbusiness
news, advice and discussion.
Including Local Weather.
1.00pm **ITV News; Weather**
1.20 **Regional News; Weather**
1.30 **LIVE** **ITV Racing: From York**
Francesca Cumani and Ed
Chamberlin present coverage
of the opening day of the Ebor
Meeting, including feature race
the Juddmonte International
Stakes. Analysis comes from
Jason Weaver, Adele
Mulrennan and Ruby Walsh.
4.29 **Regional Weather**
4.30 **Tipping Point: Best Ever
Finals** Compilation of some
of the show's endgames.
Hosted by Ben Shephard. (R)
5.00 **The Chase** Julie, Abby,
Mahesh and Paul take part.
Bradley Walsh presents. (R)
6.00 **Regional News; Weather**
6.30 **ITV Evening News; Weather**

Channel 4

6.30am **The King of Queens** (R)
7.45 **Everybody Loves Raymond**
Triple bill of the sitcom. (R)
9.10 **Frasier** four episodes.. (R)
11.10 **Ramsay's Kitchen
Nightmares USA** (R)
12.05pm **Channel 4 News**
12.10 **Find It, Fix It, Flog It** (R)
1.10 **The Great House Giveaway**
A home in West Yorkshire. (R)
2.10 **Countdown** With Debbie
McGee in Dictionary Corner.
3.00 **A Place in the Sun** A holiday
home in Fuerteventura. (R)
4.00 **The Great B&B Challenge**
Jacqui and Rob fail to learn
from their mistakes. (R)
5.00 **Chateau DIY** It's all hands
on deck at Chateau de
Seguenville as Becky and
Mark race to get everything
in place before 50 guests
arrive for an open day. (R)
6.00 **American Pickers** With a
jam-packed farmhouse,
killer barn, and rare rat rod
Rolls-Royce, Mike Wolfe
and Frank Fritz find a
massive Ohio collection
has mega-pick potential. (R)

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6.00am **Milkshake!** Children's TV.
9.15 **Jeremy Vine** Discussion.
11.30 **Storm & Alexis** With Storm
Huntley and Alexis Conran.
12.45pm **5 News at Lunchtime**
12.50 **Matt Allwright** Debate.
2.20 **FILM** **The Body in the Attic**
(2023, PG) A wife convinces her
lover to move into her attic.
After finding his dead body,
she fears her husband knows
more than he is letting on.
Thriller, starring Abigail Hawk,
Donny Boaz, Marc Herrmann
and Angelique Chase. ★★★
4.00 **Castle** A murder reminds the
writer of a pivotal event in his
childhood. Last in series. (R)
4.55 **Love Nature** Examining the
reintroduction of pine martens
into Dartmoor and Exmoor. (R)
5.00 **5 News with Dan Walker**
6.00 **Capri: Jewel of the Med**
Cameras focus on one of the
Mediterranean's smallest
inhabited islands. At the
Faraglioni, we find the Blue
Lizard and the conservationist
hoping to save them from
extinction. (R); 5 News Update

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7.00 **The One Show** Presented
by Clara Amfo and JB Gill.
7.30 **EastEnders** It's the day of
Cindy and Kim's hen dos, but
Max wakes up in Priya's bed
having overslept from the
night before. Ross discovers
that Amy was mean to Joel.

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8.00 **Fake or Fortune? What
Happened Next** Fiona Bruce
and Philip Mould provide an
update on a 2018 edition
exploring whether two
sketchbooks found in a shed
in France were really the work
of a young Toulouse-Lautrec.

9

9.00 **Celebrity MasterChef** Joe
Pasquale, Jason Mohammad,
Emily Campbell, Shakira Khan
and Jay McGuinness are given
just one hour to cook a dish
using a mystery ingredient.
Then they have to cook a pie
for guest Paddy McGuinness.

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10.00 **BBC News at Ten**
10.30 **Regional News; Weather**
10.40 **MOTD: UEFA Champions
League** Action from the
play-off round first-leg ties,
including Celtic v LASK at
Celtic Park. The Bhoys will be
looking to avoid a repeat of
last season, when they lost
on penalties to Kairat of
Kazakhstan after two goalless
draws, but they faced a
potentially tough test against
the Austrian champions.

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11.25 **FILM** **Monkey Man** (2024, 18)
Premiere. A man unleashes
his own brand of vengeance
against the men who killed his
mother, and continue to
exploit the powerless. Action
thriller, starring Dev Patel,
with Sharlto Copley, Pitobash
and Vipin Sharma. ★★★★★

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MIDNIGHT

1.20am **Weather for the Week
Ahead** 1.25-6.00am **BBC News**

7.00 **Today at the Test** England v
Pakistan. The opening day of
the first Test in the three-
match series. This is England's
first match in this format since
Brendan McCullum was
dismissed with Marcus
Trescothick taking charge.

8.00 **Digging for Britain**
Alice Roberts explores
archaeological treasures in
the west of Britain, beginning
with a look at the remains
of Snodhill Castle, a little-
known ruin on the crest of
a hill in Herefordshire. (R)

9.00 **Murder Trial: Death of a
Dog Walker** Part two of two.
With Brian Low's family
seeking justice and answers,
David Campbell takes the
stand to defend himself
against a murder charge built
on circumstantial evidence.

10.00 **NEW** **Couples Therapy**
Documentary about the world
of relationship counselling,
couples as they open up about
their issues. Dr Orna Guralnik
talks Marjorie and Jason
through their differences.
10.30 **Newsnight; Weather**

11.05 **Couples Therapy** Double bill.
Chris opens up about his
infidelities as Sienna questions
why she's stuck around so
long; Jason turns to ChatGPT
for support after Marjorie
dismisses his weight loss,
while Chris revisits his past.

12.05am **Buried with Michael Sheen.**
Part one of two. The actor investigates
claims of conspiracy, complicity
and denial over allegations of toxic
chemical contamination in Wales. (R)
1.05 **Sign Zone: Amityville: An Origin
Story** (R) 1.55 **Sign Zone: Evolution** (R)
2.55-6.30am **This Is BBC Two**

7.30 **Inside the Langham:
Britain's First Grand Hotel**
It is the 160th anniversary of
the Langham as the team
races to deliver a celebration
worthy of the hotel. Trevor and
Alan take down a Murano
chandelier. Last in series.

8.00 **Emmerdale** Kev makes a
confession that leaves Billy
stunned and later he smashes
Caleb's laptop, destroying any
evidence of his crimes.
8.30 **Coronation Street** Idris
coaches Ollie ahead of the
poker night at Speed Daal.

9.00 **NEW** **Professor T** Jasper is
no longer consulting for the
police following Lisa's death
but he is lured back in when
a woman disappears from a
yacht. Drama, starring Ben
Miller, Barney White, Angus
Yellowlees and Mia Gill.

10.00 **ITV News at Ten; Weather**
10.30 **Regional News; Weather**
10.45 **Long Lost Family: Born
Without Trace – What
Happened Next** Susanne
Barrow reveals further
discoveries after meeting
her half-brother Ian in 2024,
while Tom Yeo discusses an
unusual development after his
appearance on the show. (R)

11.40 **British Touring Car
Championship Highlights**
A look back at the sixth
weekend of the 2026 British
Touring Car Championship.

1.05am **Shop on TV** 3.00 **Love &
Death.** Candy gets a visit from an
incensed Pastor Jackie. (R) 3.50 **Inside
the Langham: Britain's First Grand
Hotel.** Reception supervisor Rodrigo
welcomes a dancing idol of his. (R)
4.15 **Unwind with ITV** 5.30-6.00am
Tom Kerridge **Cooks Italy** (R)

7.00 **Channel 4 News** A round-up
of all the latest headlines,
in-depth interviews and
analysis of political
developments and current
affairs. Plus, the day's leading
sports stories and up-to-the-
minute weather reports.

8.00 **Extraordinary Extensions**
Tinie Tempah meets a couple
building the barn extension of
their dreams, inspired by their
passions for cars and crafts.
He also revisits a Victorian
property in Manchester that
featured in the last series.

9.00 **NEW** **Love You to Death**
The story of Lisa Hayden-
Johnson's deception, during
which she fabricated her
son Matthew's illness and
subjected him to unnecessary
medical procedures.
Continues tomorrow.

10.00 **NEW** **Outback Murder
Highway** Double bill. Crime
documentary investigating
killings along a 500-mile
Australian road, beginning with
two student nurses who went
missing while hitch-hiking in
1972; the murder of New
Zealand motorcyclists Karen,
Gordon and Timothy, who
were shot dead near Mount
Isa. Decades later, in 2019,
prison guard Bruce John
Preston was convicted of the
murders, but Gordon's brother
John remains unconvinced
that the case is closed.

12.05am **Murder Case: The Digital
Detectives.** How a fake £20 note
helped expose a 2020 killing. (R) 1.00
Celebrity Hunted: double bill (R) 2.50
Ramsay's Hotel Hell (R) 3.40 **Yorkshire
by the Sea** (R) 4.35 **Kirstie's House of
Craft** (R) 4.55 **Couples Come Dine with
Me** (R) 5.50-6.30am **Countdown** (R)

7.00 **Car Pound Cops** Tracking
cars as they are seized for
a variety of offences, with
exclusive access to car
pounds, police forces, local
council enforcement agencies
and national organisations.
Last in series. (R); 5 News

8.00 **Casualty 24/7: Every
Second Counts** As the team
at Barnsley Casualty deal with
winter pressures, Dr Darya
Pospyselova looks after a
woman who has been
bleeding heavily from her
nose for over three hours.

9.00 **999: Critical Condition**
A man is rushed into the
emergency room after a road
accident. He has bad bruising
and lacerations, but the most
concerning injury for the
medical team is the intense
pain in his back. Last in series.

10.00 **A&E: Crash Scene
Emergency** The work of
medical teams at University
Hospital Coventry's trauma
unit. Emergency services and
helicopter medics perform
lifesaving CPR on a 76-year-
old man in cardiac arrest. (R)

11.05 **Ambulance: Code Red**
Critical Care Paramedics
Sarah Folley and Fay Pollock
are dispatched to help
64-year-old David, who has
collapsed. Kerry Hemus and
Laura Taylor rush to the scene
of a road traffic collision. (R)

12.05am **A&E After Dark** (R) 1.00
Cruise TV with LoveitBookit (R) 2.00
GPs: Behind Closed Doors (R) 2.50
Castle (R) 3.40 **Friends: double bill** (R)
4.30 **The Highland Vet** (R) 5.25
Entertainment News on 5 5.35
Paw Patrol (R) 5.45-6.00am **The
Adventures of Paddington** (R)

ITV2

FREEVIEW 6

6.00am Backyard Builds **6.30** Dress to Impress **7.30** The Real Housewives of Potomac **8.20** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills **9.15** The Only Way Is Essex **10.15** Dawson's Creek **11.10** Charmed **12.10pm** Deal or No Deal **1.10** Supermarket Sweep **2.10** The Floor **3.10** The Only Way Is Essex **4.10** The Real Housewives of Potomac **5.00** The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills

6.00 **Celebrity Catchphrase**

7.00 **The Floor** The 33 remaining contestants fight for more squares.

8.00 **The 1% Club** Quiz show.

9.00 **Family Guy** Five episodes. Peter is arrested; Quagmire is reunited with a former lover; Stewie becomes addicted to medication; Joe's estranged father Bud visits; Stewie replaces Brian.

11.35 **American Dad!** Stan goes wild.

12.35 **Bob's Burgers** **1.30** G'wed **1.55** Transaction **2.20** Unwind with ITV **3.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

U&Dave

FREEVIEW 19

6.00am Teleshopping **7.20** Top Gear **8.10** Border Force: America's Gatekeepers **10.15** Rick Stein's Cornwall **11.20** Yukon Gold **12.20pm** Top Gear **2.20** Mortimer & Whitehouse: Gone Fishing **3.00** Guy Martin: Proper Jobs **4.00** Hairy Bikers' Best of British **5.00** Rick Stein's Cornwall

6.00 **Rick Stein's Cornwall** Double bill.

7.05 **Mortimer & Whitehouse: Gone Fishing** Bob and Paul head to the island of North Uist in the Outer Hebrides.

7.40 **Would I Lie to You?** Double bill.

9.00 **QI XL** With Aisling Bea, Mark Watson, Michelle Wolf and Alan Davies.

10.00 **Have I Got a Bit More News for You** Stephen Mangan hosts, with guests Andy Hamilton and Chloe Petts .

11.00 **Taskmaster** With Noel Fielding.

12.00m't Mock the Week. Satirical panel show. **12.40** Would I Lie to You? **2.00** QI XL. Quiz show. **3.00** Richard Osman's House of Games **3.30** Parks and Recreation **4.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

E4

FREEVIEW 13

6.00am Hollyoaks **6.55** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **7.00** Couples Come Dine with Me **8.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **10.00** America's Funniest Home Videos **11.00** Below Deck: Mediterranean **12.00noon** The Simpsons: four episodes **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **3.00** Modern Family: four episodes **5.00** The Simpsons

6.00 **The Simpsons** Lisa accepts an invitation to join a Wiccan coven.

6.30 **Hollyoaks** Double bill.

7.30 **The Simpsons** Grampa boosts Homer's love life with a virility tonic.

8.00 **The Great Celebrity Bake Off for Stand Up to Cancer** Baking challenge.

9.00 **Gogglebox** Double bill.

11.05 **First Dates** Student Madeleine is paired with a Tom Hardy impersonator.

12.10am Naked Attraction **1.15** Gogglebox **2.15** Vanderpump Rules **3.05** The Simpsons **3.30** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **4.20** The Goldbergs **5.10-6.00am** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA

Variations

WALES As BBC1 except: **1.35-1.45pm** BBC Wales Today; Weather **6.30-7.00** BBC Wales Today **10.30-10.40pm** BBC Wales Today

ITV WALES As ITV1 except: **1.20-1.30pm** ITV News Cymru Wales; Weather **6.00-6.30** ITV News Cymru Wales; Weather **10.30-10.45pm** ITV News Cymru Wales; Weather

S4C **7.00pm** Heno **7.30** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **8.00** Pobol y Cwm **8.25** Cartrefi Cymru **8.55** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **9.00** Priodas Pum Mili **10.00** Y Deis **10.30-11.35pm** Ty Ffiit

SCOTLAND As BBC1 except: **1.35-1.45pm** Reporting Scotland **6.30-7.00** Reporting Scotland **10.30-10.40** Reporting Scotland **11.25** Scotcast **11.55pm** **FILM** Monkey Man (2024, 18) **★★★★** **1.55-6.00am** BBC News

STV As ITV1 except: **1.20pm** STV News; Weather **1.30-4.29** **LIVE** STV Racing: From York **6.00-6.30** STV News **10.30** STV News **10.40** Scotland Tonight **11.05** Long Lost Family: Born Without Trace **12.05-3.00am** Shop on TV **4.15-5.30am** Unwind with STV

BORDER As ITV1 except: **1.20-1.30pm** ITV News Border. The latest headlines; Weather

ITVQuiz

FREEVIEW 28

9.00am Deal or No Deal **10.00** Tipping Point **1.00pm** Lingo **2.00** Tenable **3.00** Wheel of Fortune **4.00** Riddiculous **5.00** Deal or No Deal. Stephen Mulhern hosts as Guy tries to open the 22 red boxes in the right order, taking on the Banker for the chance to win a cash prize.

6.00 **Lingo** Three episodes. CJ and his dad Caspar from Dorchester, siblings Marie and Claire from Craigavon, and Will and Helen from London and Bristol compete; taking part are best friends Tamika and Ollie from Essex and Hertfordshire, Amy and Chris from London, and Riccardo and his mum Christiana from Rochdale; Kelli and Ruth, Alice and Vicky, and Ethan and Beth take part. Quiz, hosted by Adil Ray.

9.00 **Supermarket Sweep** Rylan Clark hosts a revival of the gameshow.

10.00 **Tipping Point** Three episodes. Quiz show, hosted by Ben Shephard.

12.55 **Tenable** **1.50** Riddiculous **2.40** Unwind **3.00-9.00am** Teleshopping

U&Drama

FREEVIEW 20

6.00am Teleshopping **7.15** The Bill **8.10** Doctors **9.20** Classic Holby City **10.40** Casualty **11.40** The Bill **12.40pm** Classic EastEnders **2.00** Classic Neighbours **3.00** Whitstable Pearl **4.05** Lovejoy **5.20** As Time Goes By. Classic sitcom.

6.00 **Last of the Summer Wine** Triple bill.

8.00 **The Chelsea Detective** Double bill. A former pop star is found dead just days before Christmas; Max and Layla investigate a string of potential suspects.

10.00 **New Tricks** A former Irish dissident sheds light on the abduction of an 18-year-old woman in 1983, but his subsequent reinvention as a politician leaves the team suspicious of his motives.

11.20 **Luther** Two hoodies are shot and it appears to be gang related, until Luther realises a vigilante is at work, targeting people who have a criminal record.

12.40am Lovejoy **1.50** Sister Boniface Mysteries **2.50** The Chelsea Detective **4.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

More4

FREEVIEW 18

8.55am Find It, Fix It, Flog It **10.00** Four in a Bed: five episodes **12.40pm** Come Dine with Me: five episodes **3.20** Four in a Bed: five episodes **5.50** Car S.O.S

6.50 **Car S.O.S** Fuzz Townshend and Tim Shaw secretly get a classic 1960s Sunbeam Alpine belonging to a former mechanic ready to go back on the road.

7.55 **Grand Designs** Kevin McCloud follows the progress of Dorran, who promised his wife and children he would build them a super-modern underground home on a hill outside Canterbury.

9.00 **The Roman Empire by Train with Alice Roberts** Alice explores Rome, from the ingenuity of ancient Roman aqueducts to the story behind Trajan's Column, and finds the original road that drove the expansion of the empire.

10.00 **24 Hours in A&E** Double bill.

12.10am 999: On the Front Line. A man has a blackout driving a van. **1.15** 24 Hours in A&E **3.25-3.55am** A Place in the Sun

6.00-6.30 ITV News Lookaround; Weather **10.30-10.45pm** ITV News Border; Weather

BBC SCOTLAND **7.30pm** Scotland's Home of the Year 2024 **8.00** Scotland's Greatest Escape **8.55** Beechgrove Repotted **9.00** Island Crossings **10.00** River City **10.30** Icons of Football **11.00** Scotcast **11.30pm-12.00m't** The Trials That Shocked Scotland

BBC ALBA **7.30pm** SpeakGaelic **8.00** An La **8.30** Rum Gu Rum, Le Erica **9.00** An t-Eilean **9.45** Deise-L **10.00** Dana: Scotland's Wild Side **10.30** Na Sgiobairean mu Dheireadh **11.10** Rurachd **11.25** Transatlantic Sessions: Dluth an Daimh **12.00m't-6.00am** Alba Today

NORTHERN IRELAND As BBC1 except: **1.35-1.45pm** BBC Newsline **6.30-7.00** BBC Newsline **10.30** BBC Newsline **10.40** The Big Deal with Steph McGovern **11.40** MOTD: UEFA Champions League **12.25am** Have I Got News for You **12.55-1.25am** BBC News

UTV As ITV1 except: **1.20-1.30pm** UTV Live; Weather **6.00-6.30** UTV Live; Weather **10.30** UTV Live; Weather **10.45** Life Times **11.15-11.40pm** Abbey Clancy: Celebrity Homes

BBC3

FREEVIEW 23

7.00pm **The Catch Up** The news.

7.05 **Deadly 60** Double bill.

8.00 **FILM** **Mission: Impossible** (1996, PG) A secret agent is accused of betraying his fellow spies, and sets out on a mission to clear his name. Action thriller based on the 1960s TV series, starring Tom Cruise and Jon Voight. **★★★★**

9.45 **Guy Montgomery's Guy Mont Spelling Bee** Double bill. The comedy panel must perform some very convincing impressions; there is culinary chaos as the panel spell what Aaron is cooking.

11.20 **FILM** **Yesterday** (2019, 12) A musician wakes up after being hit by a bus to find he is the only person in the world who remembers the Beatles. Danny Boyle's comedy, with Himesh Patel and Lily James. **★★★★**

1.05am Ladhoo: four episodes

2.45-3.45am Vigil. Thriller.

BBC4

FREEVIEW 9

7.00pm **Villages by the Sea** Exploring Cushendall in Northern Ireland.

7.30 **Canal Boat Diaries** Robbie Cumming explores the Midlands.

8.00 **Simon Sebag Montefiore Remembers – Rome: A History of the Eternal City** A look back.

8.15 **Rome: A History of the Eternal City** The role of religion in creating and maintaining the city.

9.15 **Mary Beard's Ultimate Rome: Empire Without Limit** The scholar examines identity and citizenship within the Roman Empire.

10.15 I, Claudius Double bill. Sejanus seeks permission to marry Livilla; Caligula is hailed as the new Caesar.

12.00m't The Australian Wars

12.55 Canal Boat Diaries **1.25** Rome: A History of the Eternal City **2.25** Villages by the Sea **2.55-3.55am** Mary Beard's Ultimate Rome: Empire Without Limit

5 USA

FREEVIEW 21

6.00am Home Shopping **9.00** Entertainment News on 5 **9.10** NCIS **11.55** Law & Order

6.00pm **NCIS** Three episodes. A woman claims to have witnessed a sailor's murder, but a lack of physical evidence causes McGee to question what actually took place; a Marine is found dead at the foot of a cliff; a bartender wakes up next to a corpse.

9.00 **Prodigal Son** Two episodes. A criminal psychologist hired by the NYPD has to consult with his serial killer father on a case; Malcolm jumps at the chance to help Arroyo solve a quadruple homicide.

11.00 **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** Benson searches for an abducted mother and daughter.

12.00m't Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: four episodes

3.50 Entertainment News on 5

4.00-6.00am Teleshopping

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Sport

SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT

6.00am Sky Sports News **7.00** Sky Sports Breakfast **9.00** Good Morning Transfers **10.00** **LIVE** Test Cricket England v Pakistan.

Coverage of the opening day of the first Test. **7.00pm** **LIVE** Tennis The Cincinnati Open. Coverage of day seven of the joint ATP 1000 and WTA 1000 event, a hard-court tournament at Lindner Family Tennis Center in Mason, Ohio, where the last-16 is due to take place. Top seed and 2024 champion Jannik Sinner booked his place in last year's quarter-finals with a 6-4 7-6 win against Adrian Mannarino, while the number two seed Carlos Alcaraz also won in straight sets, beating Luca Nardi 6-1 6-4. **4.00-6.00am** Sky Sports News

SKY SPORTS CRICKET

6.00am Test Cricket: four episodes **10.00** **LIVE** Test Cricket England v Pakistan. Coverage of the opening day of the first Test in the three-match series, held in Headingley, Leeds. This is England's first match in this format since Brendon McCullum was dismissed as head coach with Marcus Trescothick taking charge on an interim basis, and Joe Root replaced Ben Stokes as captain, having previously held the role between 2017 and 2022. **7.00pm** Best of ICC WT20 **7.15** Best of ICC WT20 **7.30** International T20 Cricket **8.00** Test Cricket **9.00** International T20 Cricket **9.30** Test Cricket Bitesize **9.45** Best of ICC WT20 **10.00** Test Cricket **11.00** One-Day International Cricket **12.00m't** Test Cricket **1.00** International T20 Cricket **1.30** Nepal Climbing Cricket's Mountain **2.00-6.00am** The Hundred

SKY SPORTS FOOTBALL

6.00am EFL Cup Retro **8.00** SPFL: Old Firm Derby Best Goals **8.30** SPFL: Edinburgh Derby Best Goals **9.00** SPFL Greatest Games **9.30** EFL Greatest Games **10.00** Championship Season Review **11.00** SPFL Greatest Games **11.30** EFL Greatest Games **12.00noon** EFL League One Goals **12.30** EFL League Two Goals **1.00** EFL Highlights **3.30** EFL League One Goals **4.00** EFL League Two Goals **4.30** EFL Highlights **6.30** Bundesliga Preview **7.30** EFL Highlights **7.45** EFL Highlights **8.00** EFL Highlights **8.15** EFL Highlights **8.30** EFL League One Goals **9.00** EFL League Two Goals **9.30** Bundesliga Preview **10.30** EFL Highlights **10.45** EFL Highlights **11.00** EFL Highlights **12.00m't** EFL **2.30** The Story of Frank Soo **3.00** SPFL Highlights **3.30** EFL Greatest Games **4.00** EFL Cup Highlights **5.00** Best Goals: EFL Cup 23/24 **5.30-6.00am** EFL Trophy Football

SKY SPORTS GOLF

6.00am Ladies European Tour Golf **10.00** US Women's Open Golf **3.15pm** Roots **3.45** My Icon **4.00** LPGA Tour Golf. The Standard Portland Classic. Action from day four. **6.00** PGA Tour Champions **7.00** PGA Tour: The Cut **7.30** HotelPlanner Tour Golf Highlights **8.00** Legends Tour Golf. Action from the Staysure Pga Seniors Championship. **9.00** PGA Tour Golf **10.00** PGA Tour Champions **11.00** Ladies European Tour Golf **12.00m't** PGA Tour: The Cut **12.30** HotelPlanner Tour Golf Highlights **1.00** PGA Tour Golf **2.00** Perfection In Paris **4.00** School of Golf **5.00-6.00am** Golf Academy

TNT SPORTS 1

6.00am Motocross World Championship **9.00** UEFA Champions League **10.00** The Fantasy Show **10.30** The Gruppetto **10.45** **LIVE** Women's Cycling World Tour Stage one of the Lloyds Tour of Britain, a 158.9km route that starts and ends in Cockermouth. **3.45pm** **LIVE** Men's Cycling World Tour Coverage of stage one of the Renewi Tour, starting and finishing in the city of Diest, Belgium. **4.45** Serie A **5.45** Original Documentary **6.00** TNT Sports Reload **6.30** Premier League Preview **7.30** **LIVE** UEFA Champions League Celtic v LASK (kick-off 8.00pm). Coverage of the play-off round first-leg match, held at Celtic Park. **10.30** PL Stories **11.00** CPL Highlights **11.30** **LIVE** CPL Saint Lucia Kings v Guyana Amazon Warriors. Coverage of the T20 match at Daren Sammy Cricket Ground, Saint Lucia. **3.45am** Test Cricket Highlights. West Indies v Sri Lanka. **5.45-6.00am** TNT Sports Cricket Reload

TNT SPORTS 2

1.30pm CPL Highlights **2.00** The Fantasy Show **2.30** **LIVE** Men's Cycling World Tour Coverage of stage one of the Renewi Tour, starting and finishing in the city of Diest, Belgium. **4.45** Reframe the Game **5.00** Sign Up – Into Football **6.00** T100 Triathlon World Tour Highlights **6.30** FA Community Shield **7.55** **LIVE** UEFA Champions League NEC Nijmegen v Bodo/Glimt (kick-off 8.00pm). Coverage of the play-off round first-leg match. **10.00** The Fantasy Show. Insight and tips ahead of the 2026/27 season. **10.30** Men's Cycling World Tour **11.30** Men's Cycling Pro Series **12.30am** Women's Cycling World Tour. Action from stage one. **1.30** UFC: The Ultimate Fighter **2.30** Discovery Golf **3.00** Men's Cycling World Tour **4.00** Men's Cycling Pro Series **5.00-6.00am** Women's Cycling World Tour

Entertainment & Factual

ITV3 Freeview 10 **6.00am** George and Mildred **7.05** Classic Emmerdale **8.05** Classic Coronation Street **9.10** Agatha Christie's Poirot **11.30** Heartbeat **1.35pm** Midsomer Murders **3.35** Classic Emmerdale **4.40** Classic Coronation Street **5.50** Heartbeat **8.00** Midsomer Murders **10.00** Grantchester **11.50** Trial & Retribution **1.55am** George and Mildred **2.20-2.30am** Unwind with ITV

ITV4 Freeview 26

6.00am Magnum, PI **8.05** Robin of Sherwood **9.10** Boon **10.15** The Professionals **11.25** Robin of Sherwood **12.30pm** Magnum, PI **2.35** The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes **3.45** Boon **4.50** The Professionals **5.55** Minder **7.00** The Motorbike Show **8.00** Cycling: Women's Tour of Britain **9.00** **FILM** RoboCop 3 (1993/18) **★★** **11.05** All Elite Wrestling **1.05am** Benidorm **2.00-3.00am** BattleBots

5STAR Freeview 32

8.00am Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun **10.00** Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords **11.00** Traffic Cops **2.00pm** Police Interceptors **5.00** Car Pound Cops **6.00** Home and Away **7.00** Casualty 24/7: Every Second Counts **8.00** GPs: Behind Closed Doors **9.00** **FILM** Transporter 2 (2005/15) **★★★** **10.45** Special Forces: Most Daring Missions **11.40** Scam City **12.45am** Cold Case Killers **1.45** Police Interceptors **3.25** Friends **3.45-4.00am** Entertainment News

REALLY Freeview 44

6.00am Fantasy Homes by the Sea **7.00** Cruise TV with LoveitBookit **8.00** Escape to the Country **9.00** Salvage Hunters: The Restorers **10.00** Salvage Hunters **12.00noon** The Yorkshire Auction House **1.00** Celebrity Yorkshire Auction House **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Salvage Hunters **5.00** Who Do You Think You Are? **6.00** The Repair Shop **7.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **8.00** Antiques Road Trip **9.00** Long Lost Family **10.00** Who Do You Think You Are? **11.00** Help! My House Is Haunted **2.00am** Teleshopping **4.00-6.00am** Salvage Hunters

5ACTION Freeview 33

9.00am Trucking Hell **10.20** Police Interceptors **11.20** Gunsmoke **12.25pm** **FILM** Seven Men from Now (1956/U) **★★★** **2.05** **FILM** Run for Cover (1955/U) **★★★** **4.00** Highway Thru Hell **5.00** Motorway Cops: Catching Britain's Speeders **6.00** Police Interceptors **8.00** Motorway Cops: Catching Britain's Speeders **9.00** Police Interceptors **10.00** Police: Night Shift 999 **11.00** The X-Files **12.00m't** World's Deadliest Weather: Caught on Camera **1.00** Outback Truckers **2.00** Trucking Heavy **3.50-4.00am** Entertainment News on 5

SKY ARTS Freeview 36

6.00am Classic FM Live – Great British Classics **8.00** Artist of the Year: Masterclass **9.00** Tales of the Unexpected **10.00** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **11.00** Discovering: Gina Lollobrigida **12.00noon** The Art of Film with Ian Nathan **1.00** Tales of the Unexpected **2.00** The Alfred Hitchcock Hour **3.00** The Nineties **4.00** Discovering: Jack Nicholson **5.00** Portrait Artist of the Year 2023

BBC RADIO 1

97.6-99.8MHz 6.58am Newsbeat **7.00** Radio 1 Breakfast with Greg James **11.00** Rickie, Melvin and Charlie **12.45pm** Newsbeat **1.00** Matt and Jerry **3.30** Newsbeat **3.33** Going Home with Vick, Katie and Jamie on Radio 1 **5.45** Newsbeat **6.00** Radio 1's New Music Show with Jack Saunders **8.00** Radio 1's Future Pop with Maia Beth **10.00** Radio 1's Power Down Playlist with Sian Eleri **11.00** Benji B **1.00am** Radio 1 Dance Presents **2.00** Radio 1 Anthems **4.00** Radio 1 Pop Anthems **5.00-6.58am** Radio 1 Early Breakfast

BBC RADIO 2

88-91MHz 6.30am The Sara Cox Breakfast Show **9.30** Vernon Kay **12.00noon** Jeremy Vine **2.00** DJ Spooky **4.00** Jason Manford **7.00** Prom Nights on Radio 2 **9.00** The Folk Show with Mark Radcliffe **10.00** The Good Groove with Melvin Odoom **12.00m't** OJ Borg **3.00** Alternative Sounds of the 90s **4.00-6.30am** Owain Wyn Evans

BBC RADIO 3

90.2-92.4MHz 6.30am Breakfast **9.30** Essential Classics **1.00pm** Classical Live **3.00** Choral Evensong **4.00** Composer of the Week **5.00** In Tune **7.00** BBC Proms 2026 **10.00** Night Tracks **11.30** 'Round Midnight **12.30-6.30am** Through the Night

BBC RADIO 4

FM 92.4-94.6MHz 6.00am Today **9.00** Sideways **9.30** Breakin' the Cycle **10.00** Woman's Hour **11.00** Saving Young Men



Live Test Cricket Sky Sports Main Event, 10am Following their series defeat to New Zealand in June, can Joe Root (left) and England get back to winning ways against Pakistan? The first Test gets under way this morning at Headingley.

6.00 Tales of the Unexpected **7.00** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **8.00** Voices of the Valleys **9.00** Battle of the Irish Dancers. Preparations for the championships in Dublin. **10.00** The Eighties **11.00** The Art of Architecture: Great Museums of the World **12.00m't** Inside Guggenheim **1.15** Ai Weiwei: The Artist **2.30** Lily and Lolly: The Forgotten Yeats Sisters **4.00** My Week with Guerrilla Girls **5.00-6.00am** The Art of Film with Ian Nathan

U&GOLD

7.05am Don't Wait Up **7.45** Ever Decreasing Circles **8.20** Only Fools and Horses **9.00** The Green Green Grass **9.40** Are You Being Served? **10.20** Last of the Summer Wine **11.40** Ever Decreasing Circles **12.20pm** Only Fools and Horses **1.00** Keeping Up Appearances **1.40** Dad's Army **2.20** The Green Green Grass **3.00** Are You Being Served? **3.40** Ever Decreasing Circles **4.20** Dad's Army **5.00** Last of the Summer Wine **6.20** Keeping Up Appearances **7.00** Only Fools and Horses **7.40** Dad's Army. Classic comedy series. **8.20** Are You Being Served? **9.00** Porridge **9.40** The Office **10.20** Not Going Out **11.00** Mrs Brown's Boys **11.40** Porridge **12.20am** The Office **1.00** Not Going Out **1.40** Mrs Brown's Boys **2.30** Don't Wait Up **2.55** Keeping Up Appearances **3.25-4.00am** The Green Green Grass

U&YESTERDAY Freeview 27

6.10am Abandoned Engineering **8.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **10.00** Secret Nazi Bases **11.00** The World at War **12.00noon** Antiques Roadshow **2.00** Bangers & Cash **4.00** Secret Nazi Bases **5.00** The World at War **6.00** Antiques Roadshow **7.00** The Blue Planet **8.00** Michael Palin: Travels of a Lifetime **9.00** Simon Reeve's South America **10.00** Bangers & Cash **12.00m't** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **1.00** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **2.00-3.00am** Abandoned Engineering

U&ALIBI

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **10.00** The Mentalist **11.00** Hudson & Rex **12.00noon** Body of Proof **1.00** Death in Paradise **2.00** Murdoch Mysteries **4.00** The Mentalist **5.00** Hudson & Rex **6.00** Body of Proof **7.00** Private Eyes **8.00** Bookish **9.10** Death in Paradise **10.10** Father Brown **11.10** Private Eyes **12.10am** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **1.10** Death in Paradise **2.10-4.00am** Murdoch Mysteries

Radio

CHOICE

BBC Proms 2026 Radio 3, 7pm Glyndebourne Festival Opera, conducted by Robin Ticciati, perform Strauss's opera within an opera, *Ariadne auf Naxos*, at the Royal Albert Hall. During the interval, classicist and author Emily Hauser joins presenter Andrew McGregor to explore the mythology behind Ariadne.

from Murder: The Homeboy Story **11.40** This Week in History **11.45** Book of the Week: The Fire in the Mountain: Sicily, Etna and her People **12.00noon** News **12.04** You and Yours **12.57** Weather **1.00** The World at One **1.45** Human Intelligence **2.00** The Archers **2.15** Drama: United Kingdoms **3.00** The Grand North Atlantic Home Video Archive **3.30** All Under One Magnetosphere **4.00** The Power of Guilt **4.15** The Media Show **5.00** PM **5.57** Weather **6.00** News **6.30** Best Medicine **7.00** The Archers **7.15** Front Row **8.00** The Moral Maze **9.00** Invisible Hands **9.30** Michael Sheen Gets into Character **10.00** The World Tonight **10.45** Book at Bedtime: Mr Sidhu's Post Office **11.00** Nora Meadows' Week of Wellness **11.15** Follow the Rabbit **11.30** Poetry Please **12.00m't** News **12.30** Book of the Week: The Fire in the Mountain: Sicily, Etna and her People **12.48** Shipping Forecast **1.00** As BBC World Service **5.00** News Summary **5.04** Sideways

SKY ONE

6.00am Mornings **6.30** Mornings **7.00** Mornings with Ridge and Frost **7.30** Mornings with Ridge and Frost **8.00** Stargate SG-1 **10.00** Will & Grace **11.00** The Simpsons **12.00noon** Africa's Hunters **1.00** Hawaii Five-0 **3.00** S.W.A.T **5.00** The Simpsons **6.00** Rob & Romesh vs Fashion **7.00** The Simpsons **8.00** Surviving Earth **9.00** Never Mind the Buzzcocks **10.30** The 'Burbs **11.25** Grimm **12.20am** Evil **1.15** The Force: Manchester **2.10** Road Wars **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00-6.00am** S.W.A.T

SKY ATLANTIC

6.00am Fish Town **8.00** Billions **10.15** House of the Dragon **12.35pm** Homicide: Life on the Street **2.30** Billions **4.40** Django **6.45** House of the Dragon **9.00** Task. Crime drama series. **10.15** Station Eleven **12.20am** House of the Dragon **2.40** Billions **4.35** Sort Of **5.05-6.00am** The Guest Wing

SKY WITNESS

6.00am Bondi Rescue **7.00** Border Patrol **8.00** Send in the Dogs **9.00** The Force: Manchester **10.00** Motorway Patrol **10.30** Caught Red Handed **12.00noon** FBI **2.00** The Rookie **3.00** Law & Order: Criminal Intent **4.00** Nothing to Declare **8.00** Caught on Dashcam **9.00** Fire Country **10.00** FBI: International **11.00** The Rookie **12.00m't** FBI **2.00** CIA **3.00** FBI: Most Wanted **4.00** Motorway Patrol **5.00-6.00am** Border Security: Canada's Front Line

SKY COMEDY

8.00am Will & Grace **9.00** Sort Of **10.00** The Comeback **11.20** Will & Grace **12.20pm** Based on a True Story **1.40** The Comeback **3.00** Will & Grace **4.00** The Reluctant Landlord **5.00** Community **6.00** Will & Grace **7.00** The Office (US) **8.00** The Reluctant Landlord **9.00** Last Week Tonight with John Oliver **9.45** **FILM** Warm Bodies (2013/12) **★★★** **11.40** Based on a True Story **12.15am** The Office Movers **1.35** Community **2.35** The Comeback **3.55-5.00am** Sort Of

DISCOVERY

6.00am How It's Made **7.00** The Aquarium **9.00** Gold Rush **11.00** Building Off the Grid **1.00pm** Dr Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet **3.00** How It's Made **5.00** Alaska: Homestead Rescue **7.00** Wheeler Dealers. Documentary series. **10.00** Mighty Truckers **11.00** Expedition X **12.00m't** Deadliest Catch **2.00** Mighty Truckers **3.00** Gold Divers **4.00-5.00am** Moonshiners: Master Distiller

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

8.00am Air Crash Investigation **10.00** Engineering by Catastrophe **11.00** Car S.O.S **12.00noon** Ultimate Airport Dubai **1.00** Air Crash Investigation **2.00** Hitler's Last Stand **4.00** Lost Treasures of Egypt **5.00** Destruction Decoded **6.00** Planes that Changed History **7.00** Air Crash Investigation **8.00** Lost Treasures of Ancient Greece **9.00** Lost Gold of the Dark Ages: Treasure Hoard **10.00** Mysteries of Ancient Medicine **11.00** Air Crash Investigation **12.00m't** Amsterdam Central 24/7 **1.00** Northwoods Survival **2.00** Lords of War **2.30** Money Meltdown **3.20** Food Factory **4.10-5.00am** When Sharks Attack

5.32 Weather **5.34** Shipping Forecast **5.43** Prayer for the Day **5.45-6.00am** Farming

BBC RADIO 5 LIVE

693/909kHz 6.00am 5 Live Breakfast **9.00** Rima Ahmed **11.00** Holly Hamilton **2.00pm** Marianna Spring **4.00** 5 Live Drive **7.00** 5 Live Sport **7.30** 5 Live Sport **9.00** 5 Live Sport **10.30** Qasa Alort **1.00am** Dotun Adebayo **5.00-6.00am** Wake Up to Money

BBC RADIO WALES

FM: 94.6MHz 6.00am Radio Wales News Update **6.05** Wake Up with Radio Wales **6.31** Science Cafe **7.00** Radio Wales Breakfast **9.00** Bronwen Lewis **12.00noon** The Phone In **2.00** Behnaz Akhgar **5.00** Radio Wales Drive **6.30** Country Focus **7.00** Country with Bronwen Lewis **10.00** Eleri Sion **12.00m't** Relax with Radio Wales **1.00-6.00am** As Radio 5 Live

CLASSIC FM

100-102MHz 6.30am Classic FM Breakfast **9.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame Hour with Tim Lihoreau **10.00** Aled Jones **1.00pm** Anne-Marie Minhall **4.00** Margherita Taylor **7.00** Relaxing Evenings with John Brunning **9.00** Classic FM's Composer Carousel with John Brunning **10.00** Calm Classics **1.00am** Bill Overton **4.00-6.30am** Early Breakfast

ABSOLUTE RADIO

DAB 6.00am Dave Berry **10.00** Claire Sturgess **1.00pm** Ben Burrell **4.00** Bush & Richie **7.00** Danielle Perry **10.00** Jay Lawrence **1.00-6.00am** Dan Noble

Movies

FILM4

11.00am Dora and the Lost City of Gold (2019/PG) Live-action family adventure, with Isabela Merced and Eva Longoria. **★★★** **1.05pm Journey to the Center of the Earth** (1959/U) Sci-fi adventure, starring Pat Boone and James Mason. **★★★★** **3.55 Von Ryan's Express** (1965/PG) Second World War action adventure, starring Frank Sinatra and Trevor Howard. **★★★** **6.25 Moonfall** (2022/12) Sci-fi thriller, starring Halle Berry and Patrick Wilson. **★★★** **9.00 Fury** (2014/15) An American tank crew undertakes a final dangerous mission behind enemy lines in the last months of the Second World War. Drama, starring Brad Pitt. **★★★★** **11.40-2.50am The Beast** (2023/15) Premiere. Sci-fi drama, starring Lea Seydoux . **★★★**

SKY CINEMA PREMIERE

6.40am Signal One (2026/15) See 4.10pm. **★★★** **8.20 Song Sung Blue** (2025/12) See 5.45pm. **★★★★** **10.35 Tom And Jerry: Forbidden Compass** (2025/PG) Animated adventure, featuring the voices of Eric Bauza and Ben Diskin. **★** **12.20pm Hamnet** (2025/12) See 8.00pm. **★★★★** **2.35 Normal** (2026/15) See 12.15am. **★★★★** **4.10 Signal One** (2026/15) Sci-fi thriller, starring Isabelle Fuhrman and Dennis Quaid. **★★★** **5.45 Song Sung Blue** (2025/12) Drama, with Hugh Jackman and Kate Hudson. **★★★★** **8.00 Hamnet** (2025/12) Period drama, starring Paul Mescal and Jessie Buckley. **★★★★** **10.15 Mortal Kombat II** (2026/15) Fantasy adventure, starring Karl Urban. **★★★** **12.15am Normal** (2026/15) Action comedy, starring Bob Odenkirk. **★★★★** **2.00 Primate** (2025/18) Horror, starring Johnny Sequoyah and Jessica Alexander. **★★★** **3.40 Love Me** (2024/15) Drama, starring Steven Yeun and Kristen Stewart. **★★★★** **5.20-7.05am Lurker** (2025/15) Crime drama, starring Theodore Pellerin. **★★★**

SKY CINEMA DRAMA

4.10pm True Grit (1969/PG) Western, starring an Oscar-winning John Wayne. **★★★★** **6.20 Stand By Me** (1986/15) Drama, starring River Phoenix and Wil Wheaton. **★★★★★** **8.00 Bohemian Rhapsody** (2018/12) While Biopic, starring Rami Malek. **★★★★★** **10.15 Hamnet** (2025/12) Drama, starring Paul Mescal and Jessie Buckley. **★★★★** **12.25am A Star Is Born** (2018/15) Drama, with Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga. **★★★★★** **2.50 The Illusionist** (2006/PG) Thriller, starring Edward Norton and Paul Giamatti. **★★★★** **4.45-6.30am Six Minutes to Midnight** (2020/12) Drama, with Judi Dench. **★★★**

SKY CINEMA FAMILY

6.00pm Ghostbusters: Afterlife (2021/12) Supernatural comedy sequel, starring Paul Rudd and Carrie Coon. **★★★★** **8.05 The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers** (2002/12) Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Elijah Wood and Viggo Mortensen. **★★★★★** **11.05 Hook** (1991/U) Peter Pan adventure, with Robin Williams and Dustin Hoffman. **★★**

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♈ ARIES MAR 21-APRIL 20

You're full of ideas and ready to express yourself, but don't assume everyone is automatically on the same page. A crossed wire could easily turn into a bigger issue if you rush or react. Slow down and say things properly. Relationships benefit from clarity, not speed. Channel your energy into something creative, it will steady your mood.

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♊ GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21

Your mind is racing, and while that's usually your strength, today it needs a bit of discipline. Too many distractions could scatter your energy if you're not careful. Conversations are lively, especially with friends, but focus on what matters. A clearer sense of your direction is emerging, pay attention. What you realise now could shape your next move in a big way.

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♌ LEO JULY 24-AUG 23

You're feeling everything more intensely, and that's not a bad thing. It's showing you where adjustments are needed, especially between your personal life and bigger ambitions. Conversations may feel charged, but they're also revealing. Don't avoid them. If you're honest about what you want, you'll come away with stronger connections.

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♎ LIBRA SEPT 24-OCT 23

Your social world and your personal values are crossing paths in an interesting way. A conversation or idea could make you rethink what really matters to you. If emotions feel tangled, take a step back and sort them calmly. There's a creative solution here, but you won't find it by avoiding the issue. Trust yourself, you know more than you think you do.

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♐ SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

You're in a reflective mood, whether you like it or not. Communication may feel slightly off, so don't assume people understand what you mean. Creativity and connection with friends can help balance things out. In romance, patience is key. Not everything needs to be solved instantly. Give situations space to breathe and answers will come more naturally.

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♒ AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 19

Relationships and responsibilities are both demanding your focus and balancing them isn't straightforward. Conversations may challenge your perspective, but that's not a bad thing. Stay open. A creative breakthrough is possible if you don't shut down emotionally. Your instincts are helping you see what needs to shift in your personal life and ambitions.

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♉ TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

Feelings are running a bit deeper than usual, especially around home and close relationships. You might sense tension in conversations, so listen more carefully than you speak. Creating a calm environment will help everyone, including you. Meanwhile, a surprising idea about work or long-term plans could surface. Don't dismiss it.

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♋ CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 23

There's a creative energy around you, but communication needs care. If you're not clear about your values, misunderstandings can creep in. Speak honestly, but gently. Career thoughts may also surface, trust your instincts if something feels like the right next step. What you do now can set the tone for future success, so don't ignore those inner nudges.

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♍ VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 23

There's a lot going on beneath the surface and you'd be wise to pause rather than push ahead blindly. Your thoughts are sharp, but your intuition is sharper. A meaningful conversation could shift your perspective on a relationship or work matter. Don't rush to conclusions. Clarity comes when you allow things to unfold instead of forcing answers.

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♏ SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

There's a strong mix of ambition and emotion driving you today. Work matters may demand attention, but don't ignore what's happening on a personal level. Honest conversations are essential, even if they feel uncomfortable. This is about aligning your outer goals with your inner truth, not choosing one over the other.

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♏ CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20

There's a push and pull between your ambitions and emotions. Misunderstandings could arise if you're not clear, especially in friendships or work connections. Take time to reflect on what you want, not just what's expected of you. There's insight hidden in today's tensions. Use it to strengthen both your plans and your relationships.

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♐ PISCES FEB 20-MAR 20

There's a sense of clarity trying to come through, even if the day feels unsettled. Work and personal goals need to align more closely, and you're starting to see how. If misunderstandings arise, deal with them directly. Relationships offer a chance for deeper understanding. Trust your intuition, it is guiding you toward healthier choices.

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THE BIG ISSUE

Reform's ill-judged cuts offer no benefit

Reform UK has announced it would aim to cut about £50billion from the benefits bill and replace the disability payments system, PIP, if Nigel Farage's party comes into government. You say...



● I FIND the proposals by Reform UK to cut the benefits bill by £50billion by withdrawing or changing disability and sickness payments deeply concerning.

This will plunge disabled people into poverty and further impact on their health – it will simply make the problem worse.

Removing these benefits doesn't remove people's need for help and support and it isn't "generosity" – they actually allow people to live and to do so with dignity.

The plan is dressed up as welfare reform but in fact it should be called out for what it is – cruel and dangerous.

Sue Naughton, Wirral, Merseyside

● I see Nigel Farage is to reward his Clacton constituents, some who are among the most deprived and benefit-dependent in the country, by taking away £50billion in PIP from them and others.

Not content with Farage's proposed and revolting return of fox-hunting, Reform's continuing horror show of cruelty has now been confirmed.

What a disgrace these absolute idiots are to Parliament.

Collin Rossini, Dovercourt, Essex

● From Richard Tice's piffle about the recent extremes in heat being good for British grapes, to his party's evil plan to remove benefits, everything Reform says is always total nonsense.

These fools are not fit to run a bath, never mind the country.

Brett Grainger, Rugeley, Staffs

● One really has to ask just how more out of touch can Richard Tice and Reform can get?

TO THE POINT

I'm all in favour of rapists being tagged a full year after their release from custody but it would be more practical if rapists were to face chemical castration.

It would send a message to those vile people who commit such a heinous crime – which has a lifelong damaging effect on victims – that they can expect the ultimate punishment of losing their manhood.

Society doesn't take enough steps to protect women and governments seem reluctant to administer tougher penalties on sex offenders.

Jenny Pain, Chatham, Kent

First he turns his back on 10,000 disabled people in his Boston and Skegness constituency by backing draconian PIP plans probably written on the back of a fag packet, and then he turns his back on NHS staff who have been working in exhausting conditions by saying we should celebrate the heatwave because it's good for wine-making.

Somehow I don't think these comments will be quickly forgotten.

Jessica Goetia Brooking, Havant, Hampshire

● Reform UK, a party led by millionaires funded by billionaires, plans to "save" £50billion from the welfare budget by cutting the benefits of disabled people should the party ever get into power.

Yet these grifters argue giving disabled people benefits is "immoral".

Sasha Simic, Hackney, East London



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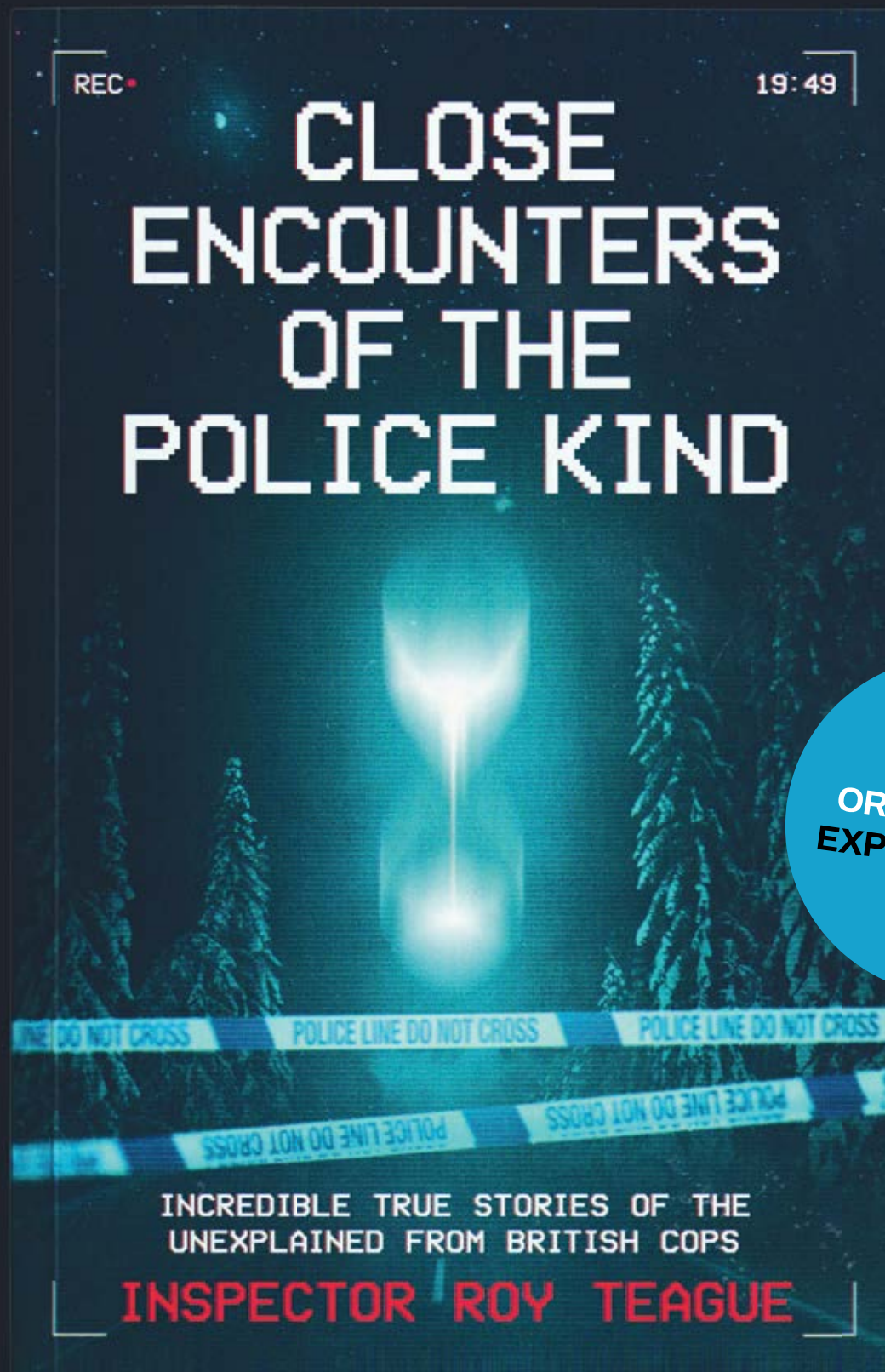
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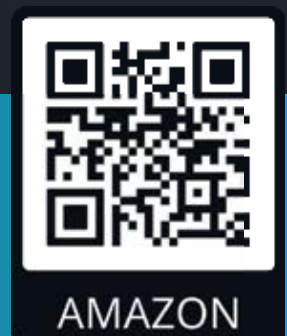


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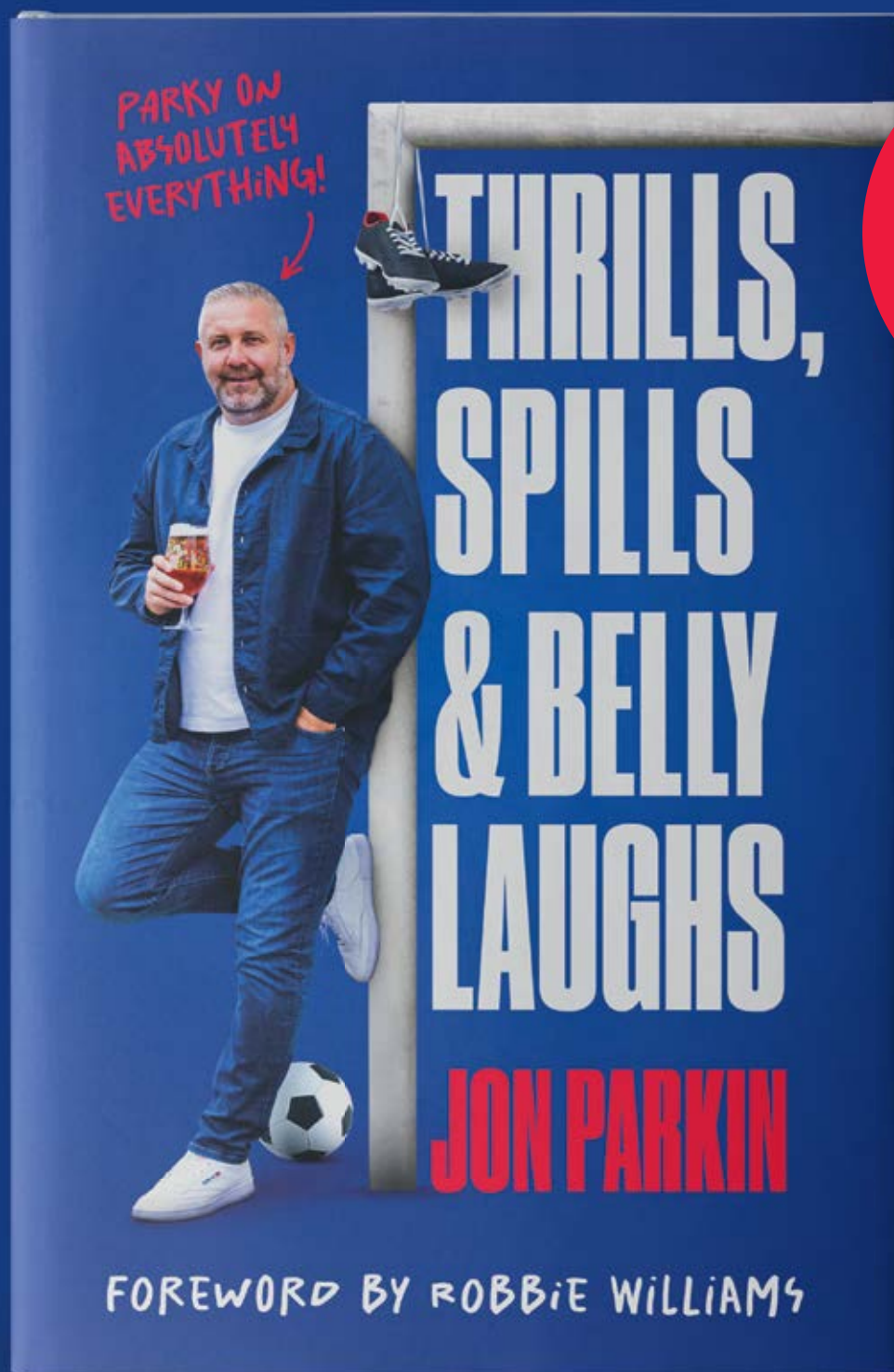


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ENGLAND ERA OF BOOM AND BUST IS OVER

COMMENT

BY JEREMY CROSS

IT HAS been one of the hottest summers ever.

But the sun has not shone on English cricket – and the Test team in particular.

The warm glow which once surrounded the era belonging to Brendon McCullum and Ben Stokes has been replaced with a chilling wind of change.

McCullum and Stokes have both gone. 'Bazball' is a thing of the past, while the ECB have decided to go back to the future, in a bid to drag its red-ball side out of the darkness.

This isn't meant to be disrespectful to Joe Root.

The Yorkshireman is the greatest batter England have ever had. Root is also a shining example of how to behave on and off the field.

And he is better equipped than anyone to take the reins as captain – having had the role before.

No one has won – or lost – more Tests as skipper than Root.

And the 35-year-old must use all those experiences to lead a side inferior to the one he once captained.

But the honest truth is that Root was the only option available.

And he is too much of a gentleman to turn it down.

Harry Brook had been mentioned, but he needs to demonstrate he can use the brains he was born with on a more consistent basis, before being considered for one of the most demanding jobs in British sport.

There is lots of life left in Root's career. And without

admitting it, he will have Sachin Tendulkar's all-time Test runs record in his sights. But his immediate challenge is to get the Test team united, motivated and winning again.

Perhaps Root, 35, should feel blessed to be reopening his account at the start of a new series against the one nation more dysfunctional than his own, when Pakistan wobble into Headingley this week.

He has made a good start with incoming head coach Stephen Fleming in banning the players' curfew. If grown men need one, they shouldn't be in the team in the first place.

But the job will be harder than it was before. There is no more Stokes and his 'Superman'

impersonations to call upon, for starters.

No former captain like Alastair Cook to lend his advice.

And no opening bowling duo of Jimmy Anderson (above) and Stuart Broad, who took a combined haul of wickets that will never be matched.

But most vital of all will be the need for Fleming and Root to be more adaptable and reactive.

Forget boom or bust like the rigid McCullum became obsessed with – and do whatever the game requires for it to be won. And if not, drawn.

The best example Root can set is by continuing to score runs. Lead from the front, which he has rarely failed to do. If he can do this the team will improve.

And the second coming of Root might just be one of those rare occasions the ECB got something right.

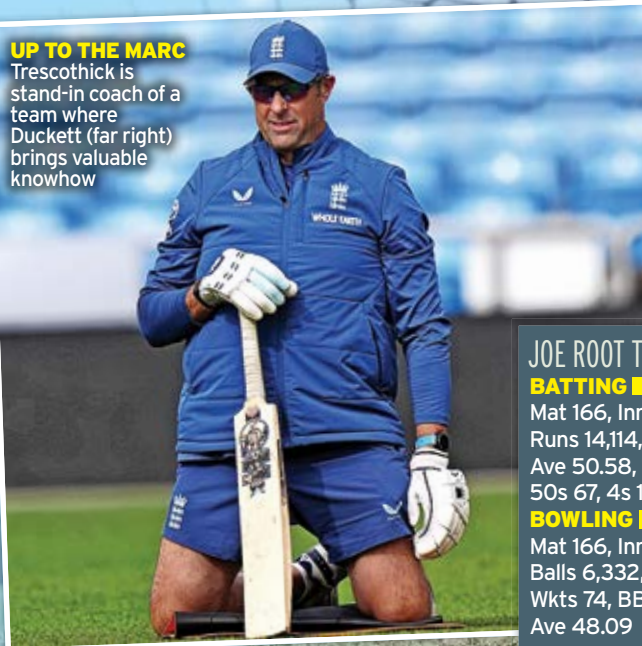


BAZBALL WITH ADDED BRAKES

Root to success isn't a one-way street as attacking instincts need insurance policy

UP TO THE MARC

Trescothick is stand-in coach of a team where Duckett (far right) brings valuable knowhow



JOE ROOT TEST RECORD

BATTING
Mat 166, Inns 304, NO 25,
Runs 14,114, HS 262,
Ave 50.58, 100s 41,
50s 67, 4s 1,515, 6s 46

BOWLING
Mat 166, Inns 170,
Balls 6,332, Runs 3,559,
Wkts 74, BBI 5/8,
Ave 48.09



SECOND HELPING

Root says his experience is boosting his return to lead



CHANGE OF THE GUARD
Stokes (left) and McCullum have gone

BY **RORY DOLLARD**
RETURNING England captain Joe Root has no intention of "ripping up" the Bazball blueprint but believes his experience could be vital in putting the Test team back on track.

Root will begin his second chapter as skipper on home turf at Headingley this week, the first in a three-match series against Pakistan, picking up the pieces after a turbulent period that saw Ben Stokes' dramatic retirement and Brendon McCullum's removal as red-ball head coach.

The decision to install Root, who earned a reputation for conservative leadership during an initial five-year reign that ended badly in 2022, suggested a willingness to banish some of the tactical excesses that characterised Stokes' tenure, but he hinted at a gentler transition. "I don't think there's a huge amount we need to change,"

he said. "It's small things that will make a big difference."

"It's not about ripping it up, I think it's about keeping a lot of the good stuff we've been doing for a period of time, stuff that Ben and Baz built for a long while."

"I don't believe there is one way of playing Test cricket. You've got to be adaptable and play the situation. It's never the same throughout five days, there's different challenges and you've got to adjust to the ebbs and flows throughout."

As for his own readiness to return to a role that had become an albatross around his neck towards the end of his prior stint, Root made it clear that he was fully prepared to embrace the challenge one more time.

"The landscape is different," the 35-year-old said.

"I'm a different player and person than I was when I [first] took

over as captain. I'm in a very fortunate, unique position where I've got 60-odd games of experience to look back on. There are things I might want to change and do slightly differently."

"I had time to step away, play in a different environment, different coach, different captain, and see the game from a different lens."

"In many ways I feel as ready as any other England captain that's ever been before, and to have that amount of experience is invaluable."

The knowhow Root has compiled over the course of 166 caps and 14 years is a resource England are sorely lacking elsewhere, with Stokes gone, the next most seasoned campaigner in his starting team is due to be Ben Duckett, on 46 appearances.

He is also working alongside an interim head coach in Marcus Trescothick, with Stephen Fleming (above) taking an extended break before starting as McCullum's successor, increasing the demands on Root to act as the steadying hand after a chaotic summer.

"I think that my natural personality is probably suited to that," he said.

"It's about looking after the here and now. Getting too caught up in what's come before is not going to help us."

"It is new... there has been a lot of change, but that's OK. I don't think that's anything to worry us."

"We should be excited about what lies ahead."

**MOST MATCHES AS ENGLAND TEST CAPTAIN**

	Matches	Won	Lost	Draw
Joe Root (2017-2026)	65	27	27	11
Alistair Cook (2010-2016)	59	24	22	13
Mike Atherton (1993-2001)	54	13	21	20
Michael Vaughan (2003-2008)	51	26	11	14
Andrew Strauss (2006-2012)	50	24	11	15
Nasser Hussain (1999-2003)	45	17	15	13
Ben Stokes (2020-2026)	44	24	18	2
Peter May (1955-1961)	41	20	10	11
Graham Gooch (1988-1993)	34	10	12	12
David Gower (1982-1989)	32	5	18	9

*Source: cricinfo.com

TEAMS
ENGLAND: Duckett, Gay, Cox, Root (c), Brook, Lawrence, Smith (wk), Atkinson, Archer, Robinson, Tongue.
PAKISTAN: Imam Ul-Haq, Awaiz, Shafique, Masood, Salman Agha (c), Rizwan (wk) Shakeel, Ali Usman, Abbas, Mohammad Ali, Shahzad.
FIRST TEST: Today, Headingley.
SECOND TEST: August 27-31, Lord's.
THIRD TEST: September 9-13, Edgbaston



LONG ARM OF LAW
No.6 Dan Lawrence

ROOT'S LAW & ORDER

FROM BACK PAGE
and take it to the next level. Ben did a phenomenal job throughout his tenure and will go down as a brilliant Test player and brilliant Test captain.

"We've got to find a way of evolving the team without him in it."

Surrey star Dan Lawrence is set to replace Stokes as England's all-rounder, with the 29-year-old likely to bat at No.6.

While new coach Stephen Fleming will not be in charge for the upcoming series against Pakistan, it is the start of a whole new chapter in English cricket following the failings of 'Bazball' in Australia and against New

Zealand. One of Root's first acts was to abolish the England team's midnight curfew, which played a part in Stokes' eventual estrangement, while keeping some of the expectations on the players that came with it.

Root added: "You always want to represent your country in the best possible light."

"We might have fallen short of that on a few occasions in the recent past."

"The only thing we can be to rectify that is be really good role models, good human beings and put in really strong performances on the field."

"That does take time and the first opportunity to do that is this week."

BOXING**NY date looms for Joshua**

BY **MARTIN DOMIN**

ANTHONY JOSHUA is edging closer to agreeing terms to fight Tyson Fury in New York.

Joshua signed to face his heavyweight rival on the condition the all-British blockbuster was held in the UK.

The former two-time world champion (above) has admitted his legacy will be affected if the meeting is overseas.

But broadcasters Netflix - and the fight's Saudi Arabian backers - insist the clash must be staged in the Big Apple and have pencilled in November 20 at Madison Square Garden.

AJ's promoter Eddie Hearn has insisted no agreement has been reached to move the venue from London.

But he admitted a deal could be reached in the coming days.

"We are talking through a roadmap of what it might look like to change the deal," he said.

"If they do all the things we've discussed and agreed in principle, there is a very good chance the fight will take place in America."

"It's an arduous process we're going through."

"There is a way that we would be, not happy, but comfortable with doing the fight in America."

Fury (below) has no concern over the fight's venue and yesterday prematurely suggested a deal was done.

"I've got some big news going to be dropped very, very soon," he said.

"There is a big fight on the horizon, it's the one you've all been waiting for."



GOLF

Whaley to Walk tall!

NEW US Amateur champion Jack Whaley has been named in Great Britain and Ireland's Walker Cup team to face America next month.

The 22-year-old from Doncaster (below) became only the third Englishman to win the title after defeating Jay Leng Jr 4&3 and will make his debut at Lahinch in County Clare.



Reigning amateur champion Stuart Grehan is one of six players retained from last year's 17-9 defeat at Cypress Point. Among those is Luke Poulter, son of former Ryder Cup star Ian, and Tyler Weaver, whose father Jason rode more than 1,000 winners as a jockey.

TENNIS SISTERS LEFT TO CIN AND BEAR IT

SERENA and Venus Williams were beaten in their first doubles match together for four years, at the Cincinnati Open, losing 2-6 6-1 10-8 to Marta Kostyuk and Peyton Stearns.

It was the first time since the 2022 US Open that they had competed together, with Serena (above) then stepping away from tennis. Venus said: "This is our first time playing together in forever. We're getting into our stride."



GOLF

Bryson is a Ned cert

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU will make a surprise return to the DP World Tour when he makes his debut in the Nedbank Golf Challenge in December.

The two-time US Open champion's (below) last non-Major



appearance on the circuit was at the DP McManus Pro-Am in July 2022 - a month after he made his move to LIV - but he will tee it up at the Gary Player Country Club in Sun City, South Africa.

"South Africa has given so much to the game of golf and so has Mr Player. Gary Player is such a force for good and that inspires me," said DeChambeau.

HULL KR 28 WARRINGTON 34

BY WILLIAM JACKSON
WARRINGTON WOLVES kept their hopes of claiming a spot in Super League's top two alive as they beat Hull KR at Craven Park.

The Wolves now sit two points off the top-two pace with four rounds remaining and with form on their side, they might just fancy their chances of being able to secure a home play-off semi-final.

Albert Hopoate scored two tries with James Bentley, Tof Siple, Liam Byrne (inset) and George Williams also going over, while KR scored through Mikey Lewis, Karl Lawton, Dean Hadley and Tevita Pangai Jr. They remain fifth, knowing

Burgess' boys in hot pursuit of the top two

they still need at least two wins to cement their play-off status.

Rovers took an early lead after Arthur Mourgue was caught high within kicking range and Rhysie Martin duly slotted the two points.

But with Williams pulling the strings on his second game back from a long-term neck injury, Sam Burgess' side asked plenty of questions with Jack Broadbent and Lewis forced to clear up the danger.



But one lapse in concentration from KR was all Warrington needed to score the first try through Hopoate on the wing.

Warrington spread it wide and Joe Burgess couldn't prevent Hopoate touching down in the corner.

Wolves scored another around the half-hour mark as Williams hit Bentley on the short ball before watching his back-rower cruise through the hole on

England down.

KR hit the front on the half-time hooter as Lawton shoved his way over after another smart Litten kick but Warrington hit back immediately after the break as Danny Walker put Siple over from

Peta Hiku's inside shoulder and over.

Rovers hit back after another high tackle on Mourgue, Jez Litten finding the run of Lewis with a delicate chip in behind for the stand-off to touch

close range. Rovers levelled through the boot of Mourgue but Wire hit the front once more after an obstruction penalty, with Ewan Irwin kicking it.

Warrington stretched their advantage as Byrne brushed off Sam Luckley and Mourgue to touch down.

Williams then all but made sure of the result, showing a turn of pace to beat three men before touching down under the posts.

Lewis watched the final eight minutes from the sin bin after catching Irwin with a stray boot and Hopoate collected Irwin's kick to touch down in the corner late on before Hadley and Pangai Jr consolation efforts.

ROVERS HIT BY FLYING BENTLEY

DRIVING FORCE

James Bentley celebrates his try for Wolves



Williams keep faith in Albon for another season

BY PHILIP DUNCAN
ALEX ALBON will extend his stay with Williams into a sixth season after agreeing a one-year contract extension.

Albon has scored just five points so far following a poor year for the British team which has left teammate Carlos Sainz's prospects in some doubt.

However, Albon's future

has been secured ahead of Sunday's Dutch Grand Prix.

"Since joining Williams in 2022, the transformation this team has made is difficult to put into words," said London-born Albon.

"One tough year doesn't tell the full picture, and it only gives me more motivation to keep building and pushing together with

the factory and our fans to achieve great things.

"Our story is not over yet, so my full focus now is on doing whatever it takes to get us back up the grid."

Albon finished a strong eighth last year, but Williams failed to make the first pre-season test this term, and their car has been overweight throughout the opening

half of the campaign. Sainz has scored just six points and is out of contract at the end of the year, while Williams are ahead of only Aston Martin and Cadillac in the constructors' championship.

Team principal James Vowles said: "Alex has been a leader of this transformation project since day one and we have

plenty of unfinished business that we are determined to achieve.

"Alex is one of the best drivers on the grid and knows better than anyone the enormous improvements we have made in recent years.

"Re-signing him shows the belief we both have in the direction we are heading."



STAYING POWER Albon will go again for Williams



KING Rodri (top) with World Cup and (right) the 2024 Prem

BY **DARREN WELLS**
RODRI completed his move to Barcelona from Manchester City yesterday but insisted "my heart will always be blue".

The Spanish midfielder has ended his seven-year spell at City to head to the Nou Camp in a deal worth £65.4million.

The 30-year-old made 298 appearances for City and won 14 major honours, including the Champions League and four Premier League titles.

He told City's website: "Saying goodbye is one of the most difficult things in life but I am going to try.

"I knew I came into a top team but I never thought we could create the legacy we made, winning trophies, fans around the world, love and respect. We made an example

to inspire the next generations not only because of the success, also because of the way we did it.

"And the fans were with us every step of the way.

"City didn't just make me grow as a player. They made me grow as a human.

"I saw my brother graduating from Manchester Metropolitan University. I could see my girlfriend working for the NHS.

"Manchester shaped my whole life. It's time to say goodbye, thanks to the club, the fans, the staff and my team-mates. This journey couldn't be the same without you, my heart will always be blue.

"I'm very happy and excited about this new stage in my career. It's a fresh challenge."

MY NOU CHALLENGE

Rodri moves to Barcelona but spoke of his love for Man City



Spain captain arrives in Barcelona to seal £64.5m deal from City, but says: My heart will always be Blue

RODDY MARVELLOUS

RESULTS & FIXTURES

UEFA Champions League

Play-off Round First Leg
LEVSKI SOFIA (0) ... 0 AEK ATHENS (0) ... 0

D ZAGREB (2) 2 VIKING FK (2) 2

Bejlo 6 Christiansen 26
Lisica 10 Tripic 39

FENERBAHCE (0) ... 1 LYON (1) 1

Greenwood 47 Openda 40

VERTU EFL TROPHY—Northern

Group B: Wigan 3 Aston Villa U21 2.

Group E: Stockport County 6 Everton U21 3.

Southern Group C: Reading 1 Wycombe 1 (Reading win 3-1 on penalties).

Group F: Barnet 5 Arsenal U21 1, Leyton Orient 1 AFC Wimbledon 1 (Leyton Orient win 6-5 on penalties).

Group G: Northampton 0 Brighton U21 3.

ENTERPRISE NATIONAL LEAGUE—North:

Bedford Town 2 Buxton 1, Brackley 0 King's Lynn 2.

Town 2, Darlington 0 Chester FC 1, Hebburn Town 1 Workop Town 0.

Hednesford Town 2 Southport 2, Hereford FC 3 Radcliffe 0, Marine 0 Chorley 2, Merthyr Town 2 AFC Telford 2, Morecambe 0 South Shields 1, Oxford City 1 Harborough Town 1, Scarborough Athletic 3 Spennymoor Town 0, Spalding Utd 0 Macclesfield FC 0.

South: AFC

Totton 0 Dorking Wanderers 3, Dover 0 Tonbridge Angels 1, Hemel Hempstead 0 Maidenhead Utd 1, Horsham 2 Hampton & Richmond 0, Maidstone Utd 1 Folkestone Invicta 1, Slough 0 Farnham Town 1, Torquay 0 Weston-S-Mare 0, Walton & Hersham 0 Dag & Red 2.

BADMINTON

BWF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

(New Delhi, India)—**Men's Doubles**

1st rd: SF Goh & N Izzuddin (Mal) bt C Grimley & M Grimley (Sco) 2-1; B Lane & S Vandy (Eng) bt D.W. Wee & JHH Wong (Mas) 2-1.

Mixed Doubles 1st rd: S Jones & L Tolman (Eng) bt D Silva & S Lima (Bra) 2-1; A Dunn & J Macpherson (Sco) bt E Lau & L Li (USA) 2-0; C Hemming & E van Leeuwen (Eng) bt T Kral & T Svabikova (Cze) 2-0.

CRICKET

FIRST TEST—Sri Lanka v India

(Galle): **India** 462 (116.4 overs; D B Padikkal 167; K L Rahul 82; D C Jurel 51) and 193 (48.5 overs; R R Pant 66; A M Fernando 4-31); **Sri Lanka** 284 (79.4 overs; S D Gamage 100; D P D N Dickwella 80; M J Suthar 4-76) and 84-4 (34 overs). (day 5 today 5.30am)

RUGBY LEAGUE

Betfred Super League

HULL K R 28 WARRINGTON 34

Hull K R—T: Lewis, Lawton, Hadley, Pangai Junior. **G:** Martin, Mourgue (5).

Warrington—T: Hopoate (2), Bentley, Siple, Byrne, Williams. **G:** Irwin (5).

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Wigan 23 18 0 5 689 407 36

Warrington 23 17 0 6 632 388 34

Wakefield 23 16 0 7 625 422 32

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Leigh 23 15 0 8 508 428 30

St Helens 23 13 0 10 548 508 26

Catalans 23 9 0 14 449 691 18

Castleford 23 8 0 15 408 716 16

Toulouse 23 7 0 16 460 618 14

York 23 7 0 16 454 665 14

Hull 23 6 0 17 399 499 12

Huddersfield 23 6 0 17 401 661 12

Bradford 23 6 0 17 392 705 12

TENNIS

ATP & WTA CINCINNATI OPEN

(Ohio)—**Men's 3rd rd:** N Borges (Por) bt A Rublev (Rus) 6-3 6-4; T Fritz (USA) bt D Merida Aguilar (Spa) 6-3 6-4; L Musetti (Ita) bt M Zheng (USA) 6-1 6-3.

Women's 3rd rd: M Andreeva (Rus) bt J Tjen (Ina) 6-1 7-6 (7-5); X Wang (Chn) bt E Svitolina (Ukr) w/o; M Keys (USA) bt K Siniakova (Cze) 6-1 6-3.

TODAY'S DIARY

(7.45pm unless stated)

UEFA Champions League

Play-off Round First Leg

Celtic v LASK (8pm).....

(Live on TNT Sports 1)

Slovan Bratislava v CM Celje (8pm).....

Happel Beer Sheva v Sabah Baku (8pm).

NEC Nijmegen v Bodo/Glimt (8pm).....

Vertu EFL Trophy—Northern Group D: Mansfield v Man City U21 (7pm).

CRICKET

First Test (day 1 of 5): England v Pakistan (Headingley, 11am).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Betfred Championship: Dewsbury v Rochdale (7pm).

ENGELS LOSS A HAMMER BLOW

Celtic v LASK
Champions League play-offs
first leg, Tonight, 8pm, TNT

MARTIN O'NEILL admits Arne Engels' departure from Celtic before their Euro play-off with LASK was disappointing.

West Ham broke the

Football League transfer record by paying £22million to sign the 22-year-old Belgium midfielder, following the Hoops' 4-0 Premier Sports Cup win over Dundee United at Tannadieu Saturday.

Ahead of tonight's first leg against the Austrian

champions, veteran boss O'Neill (right) admitted: "Arne wanted to go, he didn't want to play in the matches in case he got injured.

"I said again last week that that was understandable, that this was a move that he wanted

to make. But for the football club, disappointing, really, because just at this moment, he's hard to replace in the side, that sort of running power that he has. That he gives us so just even for these two games, so that's disappointing."

Celtic failed to make the

league phase of the Champions League last season with a shock loss to Kairat Almaty.

The penalty shootout defeat in Kazakhstan under Brendan Rodgers cost the Scottish champions about £20m and exacerbated off-field tensions.



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OLD GOLD Bailey with Wolves' League Cup-winning side

TRIBUTES TO ACE BAILEY

BY ROBERT O'CONNOR

MIKE BAILEY, the former Wolves captain who was part of the team that reached the 1972 UEFA Cup final, has died at the age of 84.

Bailey spent 11 years at Molineux after joining in 1966 and was part of a hugely-successful period for the club, helping them lift the League Cup at Wembley in 1974 after defeating Manchester City 2-1 in the final.

Two years earlier injury had meant he made only a substitute appearance in the second leg of their UEFA Cup final defeat by Tottenham, as Wolves were beaten 3-2 on aggregate.

Known as a combative but creative midfielder, he played 436 games for the club and scored 25 goals.

The club said: "As Wolves enjoyed a revival in the English game in the late 1960s and 1970s,

Bailey was the club's leader on the pitch, with the midfielder enjoying an incredible Old Gold career.

"During that popular Wolves stint, Bailey was known by those on the Molineux terraces for his love of a tackle, creative passing and eye for the occasional spectacular strike, but more than all that, his leadership."

He was capped twice by England in wins against Wales and the United States, with both appearances coming in 1964 under Sir Alf Ramsey.

After leaving Molineux, he moved to the United States with Minnesota Kicks before returning after a year to spend the final year of his playing career at Hereford, whom he also managed.

He later spent a year each in charge of Charlton, Brighton and Greek side OFI.

PAT BACK TO TAKE CHARGE OF SENEGAL

FORMER Arsenal captain Patrick Vieira has been appointed as the new head coach of Senegal.

Vieira, who was born in Senegal, has been out of work since he was sacked as manager of Serie A side Genoa last November.

The 50-year-old, a winner of three Premier League titles as a player for Arsenal alongside World Cup and European Championship triumphs with France in 1998 and 2000 respectively, replaces Pape Thiaw.

Thiaw was dismissed following Senegal's defeat by Belgium in the round of 32 at last month's World

Cup. Following managerial spells with Nice and New York City, Vieira, capped 107 times by France, spent two years in charge of Crystal Palace.

He left Palace in March 2023 and joined Strasbourg as head coach the same year before a 12-month stint with Genoa.

Details of Vieira's contract and his starting date are still being discussed.

Though his first matches in charge of Senegal are expected to come next month in qualifiers for the 2027 Africa Cup of Nations, starting at home to Mozambique.



IN FOR THE LONG HALL

LOOK BACK IN ANGER

Dewsbury-Hall is loving life at Everton and says the team has learned from losing its way last season

Kiernan insists Toffees will avoid another sticky end

BY CHRIS BEESLEY

KIERNAN DEWSBURY-HALL has insisted Everton will avoid repeating the mistakes of their end-of-season slump in the forthcoming campaign.

The Toffees' 3-0 victory over Dewsbury-Hall's previous employers Chelsea on March 21 left them just three points off a Champions League qualification place.

However, they failed to win any of their last seven matches and plummeted to finish 13th in the Premier League table for the second consecutive year, missing out on European qualification altogether.

Dewsbury-Hall said: "It was a very frustrating end to last season. I've had a lot of time to think about it over the past couple of months and there have been a lot of lessons learned.

"It made me and the team realise you can be so close, but you can also be so far. Nothing is given to you in this game or in this world.

"A lot of people might have looked at us and said, 'You were only one or two wins away'. But it's hard to get those one or two wins because everyone in the Premier League is competitive.

"I think the main lesson learned is to never get complacent until the final whistle of the final game on the final day.

"It's all to play for and it's a great lesson because now we've got that in our locker going into this season. If put in the same position again, I don't think we'd be making that same mistake."

Manager David Moyes admitted he felt the club "need to do an awful lot more" in the transfer market, but while Dewsbury-Hall acknowledged Everton could do with a couple of more signings, he declared that he is feeling good about the new

season, which kicks off at home to Crystal Palace on Saturday.

He said: "Honestly, we're super excited, super positive. The lads have come back very sharp.

"We're bubbling along nicely and coming to a point now where we're going to be ready for the first game. It's very competitive, there are a lot of brilliant signings and good players that I've seen, and that's what you want in the squad.

"You want it to be competitive. You don't want anyone to think, 'That's mine, no problem', you want people looking over their shoulders. We're getting that and we might have one or two more come in before the end."

Dewsbury-Hall made just 13 Premier League appearances across his solitary season at Chelsea, failing to complete a 90-minute game in the competition.

Following his £25m move to Everton last August, he netted a career high eight Premier League goals in 31 outings and reiterated how the Toffees are a natural fit for him.

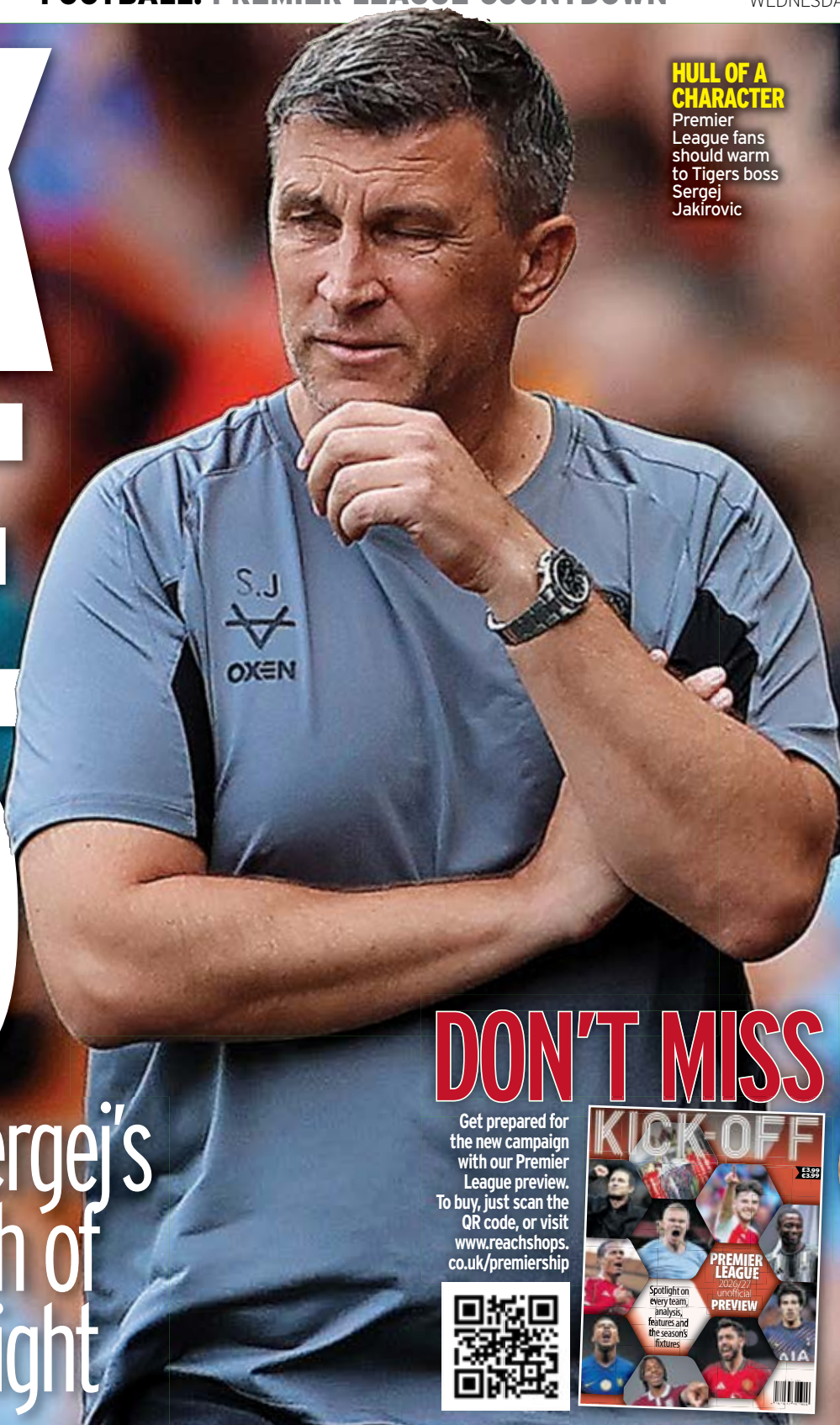
The midfielder added: "Since day one, when I signed, it just felt right. There were times before I signed for Everton, in the years before, there was a chance that I could have come and it never materialised.

"So, it was always in the back of my mind that one day I might play for Everton. When it came up last summer, genuinely, it was the only place I wanted to go."



JAK THE LAD

Wise-cracking Sergej's set to be a breath of fresh air in top flight



HULL OF A CHARACTER
Premier League fans should warm to Tigers boss Sergej Jakirovic

BY **BARRY COOPER**

THE Premier League is set to have a different feel this season thanks to one man who has already shaken up English football.

Hull's Sergej Jakirovic has charisma and personality in spades and is set to become one of the most talked about managers in the top flight.

Supporters from the other 19 teams will have little idea about Jakirovic, but Tigers fans felt the same 12 months ago when the ex-Bosnian international central defender, who identifies as Croatian, arrived in East Yorkshire.

A towering figure with a smile as wide as the Humber Bridge, he somehow manages to intimidate and disarm, to put you at ease, all at the same time.

Jakirovic is the type of character who will say what he thinks – and that's so refreshing.

We should cherish it for as long as he's here.

Amid the 'Spygate' drama around the Championship play-offs last

season, Jakirovic was probed for his take. "Maybe they watched my training session as well. But sometimes we are too bad, so this is good for us," was his response.

And after Hull secured their spot in the Premier League with victory over Middlesbrough at Wembley, Jakirovic (below with the play-off trophy) was again on top form.

At Hull's celebration parade, he said: "I only had one task before this season – to stay in the Championship. I failed! We're going to the Premier League."

Hull were among the favourites to be relegated last season.

They ended up sixth and beat Millwall in the play-off semi-finals

before Wembley glory. Jakirovic's personality is surely something the Tigers thrived off last time around, with the Croat not somebody who takes himself too seriously.

Every conversation with him is enjoyable, engaging and insightful, and he's somebody who won't be gagged.

But that's not to say he doesn't

have Hull at heart or take the game seriously.

On the eve of the win at Wembley, he said: "I am very proud. Football was born here. Managing in the Premier League would be everything to me. The best award in my coaching career."

Jakirovic arrived at Hull as their

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Dedic fan of Toon's 'energy'



BY **SEAN MCCORMICK**

AMAR DEDIC has explained the "big energy" he felt from Newcastle supporters during his visit to St James' Park with Benfica last season played a huge part in convincing him to move to Tyneside.

Dedic (above) has joined for £29.5m, with the 24-year-old admitting to the pull of linking back up again with new Toon boss Matthias Jaissle after their success together at RB Salzburg.

The Bosnia and Herzegovina international, a right-back who can play at left-back as well, said: "I played last year here, so I felt already how much passion is here from the fans.

"There is a big energy there, the fans love the game and that is why I love it and wanted to come here."

INFANTINO A BIT RICH

BY **JONATHAN VEAL AND JAMIE GARDNER**

PREMIER LEAGUE chief executive Richard Masters has accused FIFA president Gianni Infantino of pressing the "self-destruct button" over failed plans to sell stakes in the World Cup.

Infantino (inset) is fighting to stay in his job following huge backlash to his intention to sell a minority stake in FIFA tournaments to investors.



Masters said: "This is a self-inflicted wound. The organisation has pressed the self-destruct button, and the consequences flow now into the solutions that need to be found.

"I don't think FIFA should be ever contemplating selling off a stake in the World Cup. They're a not-for-profit organisation.

"They should really be holding that competition in trust for the future of football. I think it's a bad idea."

Blues kids renamed Next Gen



BY **ROBERT O'CONNOR**

CHELSEA have ditched the club's name from their age-group teams ahead of the new season – with the Under-21s and U-19s sides set to be rebranded as 'Cobham Next Gen'.

The teams will compete under the new name in the Premier League 2, with the club believing the change better reflects the age profile of their academy, with their U-21s side last season having been made up largely of players aged under 19.

The name is taken from the club's training base at Cobham, where the youth sides sometimes play home matches, though most games are hosted at Kingsmeadow.

There are two academy graduates in the Blues' first-team squad – Reece James (above) and Levi Colwill.

BY JEREMY CROSS

IT has proved a milestone that has become more of a millstone around the necks of Manchester United.

One which continues to cost them dear when it comes to winning the biggest trophies.

And also one the English giants are not going to reach, while co-owner Sir Jim Ratcliffe is holding the purse strings.

A decade has now passed since United broke the world record to re-sign Paul Pogba from Juventus in an £89million deal on August 9, 2016.

The move was the brainchild of Jose Mourinho – and facilitated by then chief executive Ed Woodward after the Glazers had sanctioned it from their Florida base.

It felt like a statement of intent at the time – that United were on a mission to get back to the top of domestic and European football.

The deal cost United closer to £95m, due to add ons and various bonus payments owed to the Frenchman and the club he had left behind.

The Euros had just taken

The Red Devils have never broken the £100m barrier for a player

place in France but the footballing world was talking about Pogba's Manchester homecoming. The fee felt enormous. Because it was. It also put down a marker to United's biggest rivals, in terms of what needed to be spent to sign the best players on the planet.

In the intervening years, though, Liverpool, Manchester City, Chelsea and Arsenal have all engaged in a private battle to see who can break the British transfer record.

They have basically taken it in turns.

'Noisy Neighbours' City got the ball rolling in 2021, making Jack Grealish the first £100m signing in English football.

Chelsea took up the baton in 2023, splurging £106m on Enzo Fernandez and £115m on Moises Caicedo.

Arsenal got in on the act, signing Declan Rice for £100m to make him their record signing in the same year.

Liverpool spent the same amount on Florian Wirtz last summer, then topped it with a British record £125m deal for Alexander Isak.

And finally, City made Elliot Anderson their new record signing at £116m last month, before Chelsea spent a million more on landing England star Morgan Rogers from Aston Villa. And

YOU'RE LIKE A BROKEN RECORD, JIM... CHANGE YOUR TUNE IF UNITED WANT TO BE NO.1 AGAIN

13 years since a Prem title, 10 years since Pogba's mega-deal

in these 10 years since Pogba returned to Old Trafford, all of those clubs mentioned above have won the title.

It's enough to put 1970s pools winner Viv Nicholson to shame. Her motto was, 'Spend, spend, spend'.

But it's not one Ratcliffe and co

seem keen to emulate. Despite the fact United have not even come close to being English champions again.

The Red Devils have never broken the £100m barrier, while their most expensive signing this summer has been £50m Chelsea reject Andrey Santos.

And this is a club which has just returned to the Champions League.

When Ratcliffe (left) took control of football operations at United, he ordered a review of the club's transfer dealings. And what he got reminded of has

scarred the billionaire, when it comes to making signings since. Antony cost £81m from Ajax, but couldn't beat an egg,

let alone a defender. Jadon Sancho cost £72.9m from Borussia Dortmund, but stunk the place out. When it comes to

wastes of money, the list is a long one. It also includes the likes of Romelu Lukaku, Rasmus Hojlund, Angel Di Maria, Mason Mount, Edinson Cavani, Radamel Falcao, Alexis Sanchez and Sebastian Veron.

Some serious mistakes have been made and Ratcliffe remains on a mission to learn from them.

It is why he ran a mile once he discovered the fee needed to sign Anderson from Nottingham Forest.

He did the same when it came to Lewis Hall, Carlos Baleba





Skipper Bruno could yet be tempted away

BY JEREMY CROSS

MANCHESTER UNITED captain Bruno Fernandes is known to loving supporters by his first name.

But those chants of 'Bruno' which ring around Old Trafford fail to reflect what he has contributed to the club since joining them.

Forget him being 'Player of the Year' more times than some people can remember, Fernandes (with boss Michael Carrick, above) has been United's player of the last decade - and he hasn't even been at Old Trafford that long!

United's transfer

business in this period has been shambolic. But Fernandes, 31, has bucked the status quo - and then some.

The Portugal star has been one of the few shining lights in a period of almost terminal decline.

Before signing Fernandes from Sporting Lisbon in 2020, United's recruitment team held a meeting. A video of Fernandes kicking in a dressing-room door, after being sent off, was shown.

Did the midfielder have the temperament to deal with the pressure and expectation that comes with playing for United?

But then chief executive Ed Woodward insisted he loved the passion and desire Fernandes had exhibited.

A £47million deal was soon sealed - chicken feed, considering the fees some footballers now command.

In recent weeks United have had to fend off interest in Fernandes from numerous clubs, home and abroad. It was the same last summer, when three from Saudi's Pro League came calling.

It's understood Fernandes informed club bosses a few weeks ago he had no intention of leaving. A new and improved deal will be winging its way to him and his representatives.

But since then, co-owners the Glazers and Sir Jim Ratcliffe have done little to make their star attraction feel he's made the right decision. Their rivals have spent big on strengthening, but United have failed to provide Fernandes with help when it comes to sharing the burden of getting winning results this term.

He deserves better. And it's surely only a matter of time before Fernandes realises this. If and when that happens, the finger of blame will point straight at the Glazers and Ratcliffe.

Gavi sticks with Barca

SPAIN World Cup winner Gavi has snubbed a move to Manchester United.

Red Devils boss Michael Carrick had targeted the 22-year-old in a bid to bolster his midfield options ahead of the new season.

It's understood United were willing to meet Barcelona's £35million asking price.

But Gavi has made it clear he wants to remain with the Spanish champions - and has no interest in a move to Old Trafford.

IN POG WE TRUST

United paid the best part of £95m for Paul Pogba (left)



FIVE MOST EXPENSIVE TRANSFERS OF ALL-TIME

NEYMAR JR

(Barcelona to Paris Saint-Germain, 2017)

£200m

KYLIAN MBAPPE

(Monaco to Paris Saint-Germain, 2018)

£165.7m

OUSMANE DEMBELE

(Borussia Dortmund to Barcelona, 2017)

£135.5m

ALEXANDER ISAK

(Newcastle United to Liverpool, 2025)

£125m

MORGAN ROGERS

(Aston Villa to Chelsea, 2026)

£117m

UNITED TROPHIES SINCE WINNING THE PREMIER LEAGUE IN 2013 - IT'S JUST FIVE IN 13 YEARS!

FA Cup: 2016, 2024

EFL Cup: 2017, 2023

Europa League: 2017

Rice
£100M

Anderson
£116M

...yet rivals gambled & won

and Eduardo Camavinga. But Ratcliffe is now stuck between a rock and a hard place. Those United like to consider rivals continue to inflate the market

but they also continue to win trophies. In the decade since the Red Devils signed Pogba, they have won just five pieces of silverware (two FA Cups, two League Cups, and the Europa League).

And unless Ratcliffe changes tack and speculates to accumulate, United fans will continue to feel short changed when it comes to seeing trophies in the Old Trafford cabinet.



Wirtz
£100M



Kane says 'nein' to Saudi cash

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and wants to extend it. The former Tottenham striker put talks on hold until after the World Cup, where he led England to within minutes of a place in the final.

Kane said: "We said we wanted to talk after the World Cup and after my holiday. So I'm not sure exactly when, but they'll start this week, next week... we'll start those talks."

"Like I've said before, we're calm, I think they're calm with the situation."

"Now is the time to start talking, because there's only a year left. That's important. But both sides are relaxed, and I'm pretty sure there'll be some talks this week or next week."

Kane has been a revelation for Bayern, plundering 143 goals in just 146 games in all competitions since joining from Spurs for £86million in 2023.

The 33-year-old's goals have helped the German giants win back-to-back Bundesliga titles.

Al-Hilal are now expected to shift their gaze to other targets, including Aston Villa and England striker Watkins (above) and Galatasaray hitman Osimhen.

Reds' new Bez mate

BY IAN DOYLE

THE consortium including Amazon boss Jeff Bezos that has agreed to invest in Liverpool will assume a share of almost 40 percent in the club - nearly £2billion.

1892 Holdings, led by former QPR director Amit Bhatia, will take on a minority equity stake in the Reds after negotiations with owners Fenway Sports Group.

The investment (Bezos, inset) was expected to be between 30 percent and a third of the club, which is valued at around £4.7billion.

But it is understood the share is actually 38 percent, almost £2bn.



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» ENGLAND CAPTAIN'S BIG SAUDI SNUB

KANE'S NEIN, NEIN, NEIN, NEIN, CALL

MUNICH MASTER
Kane lifts the German Cup for Bayern



BY JEREMY CROSS

HARRY KANE is ready to snub Saudi millions to commit his future to Bayern Munich.

The 33-year-old England captain is being targeted for a sensational swoop by Saudi billionaires Al-Hilal.

But Kane is not prepared to join the Saudi Pro League at this stage of his career – and is closing in on a new deal with Bayern.

Kane tops Hilal's shortlist of future signings, which also includes Ollie Watkins and Victor Osimhen.

Hilal president Nawaf bin Saad will keep tabs on Kane's situation, with a view to luring him to Saudi in the future with a deal worth a whopping £1.2m-a-week. Kane has entered the final 12 months of his Bayern deal,

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Joe: I'll go my Root... not Ben's!

England v Pakistan
First Test, today, 11am, Sky Spts

BY JOSHUA PECK

JOE ROOT admitted that there's no point in trying to be Ben Stokes as he prepares for his second reign as England captain.

England face Pakistan in their first Test match today since Stokes (below) retired from international cricket and head coach Brendon McCullum was axed.

Root (above) has already led England in 65 Tests having held the role between 2017 and 2022 and is determined to do it his own way again.

"One of the big challenges is not trying to be Ben Stokes," said Root.

"He's a very unique player with unbelievable qualities which aren't easy to replicate so I don't think there's any point trying to."

"Understanding that things have changed, it is going to have a slightly different look to it, but that's OK."

"There's still a lot of good stuff that's happened over the last four years which will serve us really well."

"We need to evolve it"

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RODRI SIGNS FOR BARCA, BUT: MY HEART WILL ALWAYS BE CITY BLUE



JOSHUA v FURY: ALL SET TO BE A FAIRYTALE IN NEW YORK, NOT BRITAIN





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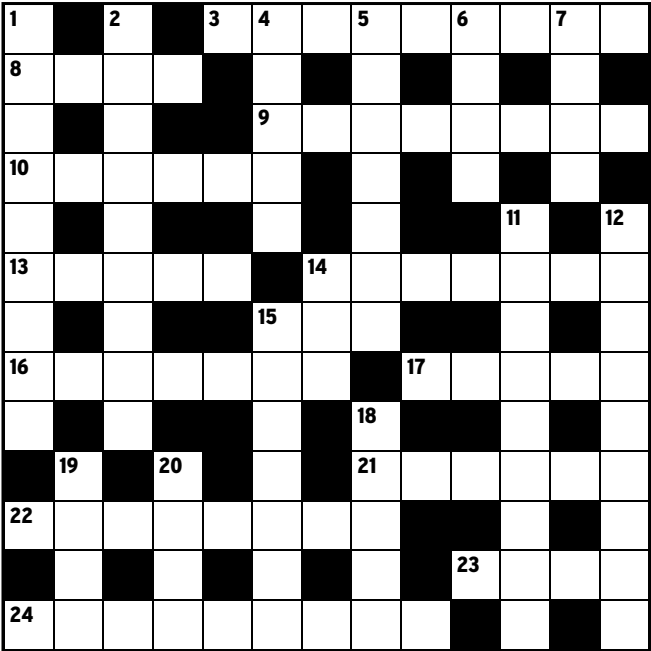
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QUIZWORD & CROSSWORD

Two sets of clues, two different answers - all on the same grid. Choose one or the other.

QUIZWORD

- ACROSS**
- 3 2003 comedy-drama film starring Paul Kaye and James Cromwell (9)
- 8 City and railway junction in west Romania once part of Turkey, Austria and Hungary (4)
- 9 Industrial city in Connecticut, US, housing Yale University (3,5)
- 10 Capital of Turkey (6)
- 13 Irene -, comedy actress who played the title character in 1970s ITV sitcom For the Love of Ada (5)
- 14 Frankie -, 1994, 1995 and 2004 flat racing champion jockey (7)
- 15 Jackie -, Scotland's Makar (poet laureate) from 2016-21 (3)
- 16 and 17 1998 film drama starring Catherine McCormack, Rachel Weisz and Anna Friel (3,4,5)
- 21 - IV, pope from 1154-59 born Nicholas Breakspear (6)
- 22 and 15 Down 2003 action-comedy film starring Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson (8,7)
- 23 Joint of the leg connecting the tibia and fibula with the femur (4)
- 24 The -, 1969 novel by Mary Wesley (5,4)
- DOWN**
- 1 Haruhiro -, artistic gymnast; 1964 Olympic men's vault and team all-around gold medallist (9)
- 2 Marcia -, former personal, political and private secretary to prime minister Harold Wilson (9)
- 4 Desmond -, television presenter whose credits include Match of the Day and Countdown (5)
- 5 M C -, England Test cricketer who made 148 against West Indies in Port-of-Spain in 1968 (7)



CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 3 Child or youth (9)
- 8 Embedded part of a tooth (4)
- 9 Allows (8)
- 10 Concealed (6)
- 13 Tribal badge or emblem (5)
- 14 Object from an earlier period (7)
- 15 Lively dance (3)
- 16 Difficulty (7)
- 17 Large musical instrument (5)
- 21 Relating to length (6)
- 22 Moderately wealthy (4-2-2)
- 23 Curly hairstyle (4)
- 24 Skilled workers (9)
- DOWN**
- 1 Perfect or typical example (9)
- 2 Poisonous fungus (9)
- 4 Cookers (5)
- 5 Nil (7)
- 6 Takes a chair (4)
- 7 Paradise (4)
- 11 Fielding position in cricket (6,3)
- 12 Small airport or airfield (9)
- 14 Intention (3)
- 15 Green-eyed (7)
- 18 Slant (5)
- 19 Equipment (4)
- 20 Musical pitch indicator (4)
- 14 1981 novel by William Wharton (3)
- 15 See 22 Across
- 18 Standard monetary unit of Nigeria (5)
- 19 Language also called Siamese (4)
- 20 Unit of speed; one nautical mile per hour (4)

Answers in tomorrow's Daily Mirror. Can't wait? Check the solutions now! To hear FULL SOLUTIONS and 5 EXTRA CLUES call 0905 789 0001 (80p/min) for the QUIZWORD or 0905 789 0002 (80p/min) for the CROSSWORD. Or text QUIZCLUE or CROSSCLUE to 64343 (£1/text) for 5 clues.

30-SEC BRAIN TEASER

Boost your brain power with our 30-second test. Start with the number on the left and follow the instructions. Beginners should aim to complete the puzzle in 30 seconds. Intermediates should finish their own puzzle and the Beginner's Challenge. Genius players have 30 seconds to complete their own plus the Intermediate. Good luck!

Solutions in tomorrow's Daily Mirror

BEGINNER	17	×3	-23	25% of this	+2	Square it	-33	÷6	+36	ANSWER
INTERMEDIATE	11	+46	×6	-74	75% of this	-188	Square it	+153	6/7 of this	ANSWER
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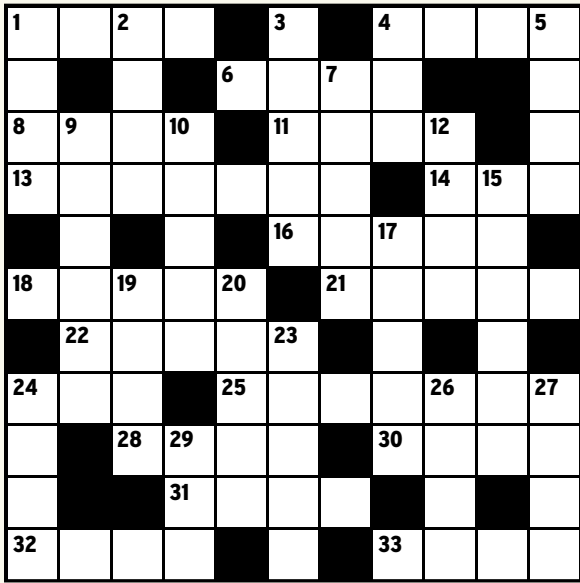
Solve our ten-letter anagram. Solutions in tomorrow's Daily Mirror

TWO-SPEED COFFEEBREAK

Two sets of clues - but the answers are the same.

CRYPTIC CLUES

- ACROSS**
- 1 Wary about being wrong (4)
- 4 Lure away from law (4)
- 6 Register changes a lot (4)
- 8 Made off with cheese (4)
- 11 Marched around building (4)
- 13 Also aim to cultivate land (7)
- 14 The golfer's conceit (3)
- 16 Commiserated with skinflint (5)
- 18 Dull band including student (5)
- 21 Working a lot with new nail (5)
- 22 Start breaking stone (5)
- 24 Choose new top (3)
- 25 Pressure forced sister to carry on (7)
- 28 Press club (4)
- 30 Care about tree (4)
- 31 College of note, possibly (4)
- 32 One editor's requirement (4)
- 33 City of Czechoslovakia (4)
- DOWN**
- 1 Copies of tapestry (4)
- 2 Wander in capital, say (4)
- 3 To demand chlorine - mean (5)
- 4 Bird in frock (3)
- 5 Repeat in the choir (4)
- 7 Cooked tart with one quality (5)
- 9 Daughter sends back Spanish chicken - shapeless mass (6)
- 10 Man is laying out electricity supplies, eg (5)
- 12 Part of the elephant's foot (4)
- 15 Complain to a flyer (6)
- 17 Sauce concealed in colossal sandwich (5)
- 19 Opposed to throwing a tin (4)
- 20 Poet confused with date archive (5)
- 23 Heard note from singer (5)



- 24 Honest old writer (4)
- 26 Lollies of nice size (4)
- 27 Riot distressed group (4)
- 29 Shade of credibility (3)
- 31 Public school (4)
- 32 Be in want of (4)
- 33 European capital (4)
- DOWN**
- 1 Primates (4)
- 2 Drift, rove (4)
- 3 Suggest (5)
- 4 Fabled creature (3)
- 5 Resound (4)
- 7 Characteristic (5)
- 9 Semisolid lump (6)
- 10 Principal pipes (5)
- 12 Shoe part (4)
- 15 Game bird (6)
- 17 Latin American dance (5)
- 19 Against (4)
- 20 Warehouse (5)
- 23 Choir part (5)
- 24 Unwrap (4)
- 26 Covers a cake (4)
- 27 Threesome (4)
- 29 Colour (3)

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THE NAME GAME

Hidden in the grid is the name of a film. Answer the questions, then rearrange the letters corresponding to your answers to fill in the name. Solutions in tomorrow's Daily Mirror

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

- BOX1:** The King George VI Chase is held annually on Boxing Day at which horse racing track? Aintree (H)
- BOX2:** Which character did Dirk Benedict play in The A-Team? Face (L)
- BOX3:** To which singer was Peggy Seeger married? Maurice Gibb (M)
- George Harrison (T)
- Ewan MacColl (L)
- BOX4:** In 2020, a Quebec town voted to change its name from what, to Val-des-Sources? Arsenic (A)
- Asbestos (G)
- Mercury (F)
- BOX5:** Which other Bond girl has Maud Adams played, besides Octopussy? Helga Brandt (T)
- Andrea Anders (S)
- Stacey Sutton (A)
- BOX6:** What type of creature is the black caiman? Rodent (J)
- Antelope (T)
- Crocodylian (O)
- BOX7:** What does the Latin phrase 'a posteriori' mean? For this (E)
- From the earlier (L)
- From the later (A)
- BOX8:** Topanga is an area of which US state? California (E)
- Kansas (G)
- Virginia (D)
- BOX9:** In which country is the Bergisches Land
- mountain range? Norway (T)
- Switzerland (E)
- Germany (O)
- BOX10:** Diana Ross (pictured) achieved her first UK No 1 single with which 1971 song? I'm Still Waiting (D)
- Reach Out I'll Be There (T)
- Surrender (J)



SPEEDBREAKER TARGET TIME: 17:30

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JUST A BIT OF FUN
Which one of our three definitions is correct?
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- 1 In suspension
 - 2 Having no ribs
 - 3 Scottish dance
- Solutions in tomorrow's Daily Mirror

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ARROW WORD

Arrow Words are like crosswords, but the clues are printed inside squares on the grid. Write your answers in the blank squares in the direction indicated by the arrows. **Solutions in tomorrow's Daily Mirror**

Rebuff Rippon, pictured		Nought		Giant woody grass		Carry bricks on this		Next to Spoil		Squand- ers		
						Last Greek letter						
Soak up a liquid		The Old Man and the _ book		King who turned things into gold						Production		
						Exciting series of events		Tumult				
Farming vehicle	Noisy quarrel		Vicious dog	Peculiar				About to arrive Settee				
								Units of games in tennis				
Having know- ledge of		Church recess		Food that can be fried, poached, or boiled	Fuss or commo- tion			Formerly		Had food Tidy		Say further
					Out for the count		Jet of water Managed					Privy to (2,2)
Decorative pattern	Water jug		Ensured Lazy									Night bird
						On-target earnings (1,1,1)		Short examinat- ion		Dishonour	Johnson, pictured Stinks	
With this ring, I thee _				Competit- ions							Distinct period of history	Definite article
On the house		Plunder				Flat circular rings		Cost of sending mail		Turn to liquid		
				Printed publica- tion								Route or direction followed
				Performs in a play		Minute particle of matter				Shoe fastener Liquid measure		
								Vend			Rotisserie	Looked at
				Romantic flower		Cabin				Give out		
								Towards the stern of a ship			Snoop	
				Poisonous snakes		Small carpet				Lift up		
								All About _ group			Father _ TV sitcom	

SU-DOKU TOUGHIE

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SHIKOKU
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SUMO
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A	14	10	14	23	11	37	16	7	18	15	25	30	5
B	37	24	19	26	12	22	28	24	33	8	27	24	23
C	4	12	14	14	23	9	5	1	2	33	19	24	38
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SUDOKU X

Put the numbers 1 to 9 once in each row, column, diagonal (highlighted to form an X) and 3x3 box (ruled).

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3		1				4		
	7		4				3	
7		6		1				8
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8				4		3		1
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NUMBER JIG

Which one of the listed numbers won't fit in this mini grid? **Solutions in tomorrow's Daily Mirror**

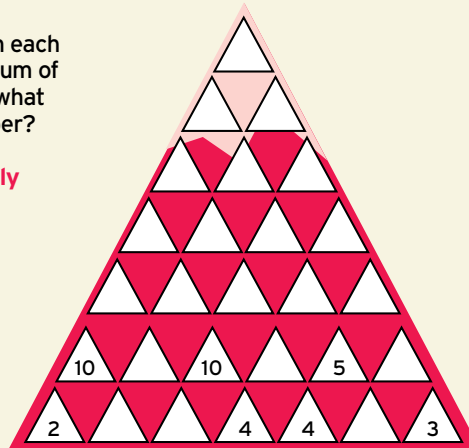
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SUPER SUMMIT

If the number in each triangle is the sum of the two below, what is the top number?

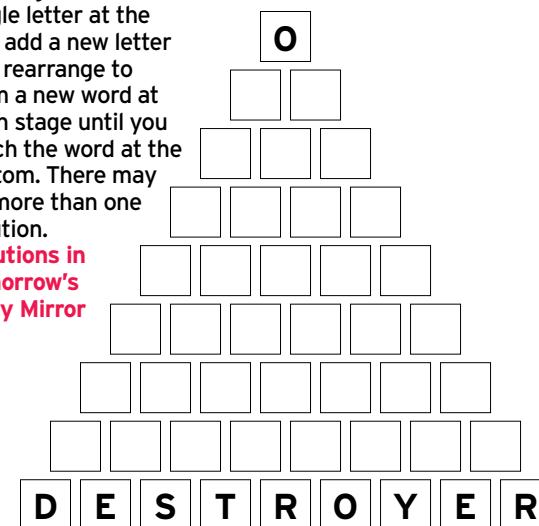
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PYRAMID

Starting with the single letter at the top, add a new letter and rearrange to form a new word at each stage until you reach the word at the bottom. There may be more than one solution.

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SEQUENCE What is the next number in the sequence?
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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

THE ALPHABEATER

ACROSS: House, Party, Kings, Squelch, Mustang, Woe, Bug, Oversee, Fanzine, Major, Doffs, Havoc.

DOWN: Jackdaw, Axon, Phenomenon, Buys, Snowiest, Begs, Axe, Echo, Splurges, Move, Lumberjack, Otic, Glorify.

PYRAMID

One way is I, in, gin, gain, giant, taping, tapping, trapping, strapping.

NUMBER JIG

4675

SUPER SUMMIT

259

SEQUENCE

64950 (x8, +6)

SUDOKU X

3	6	8	9	4	1	7	2	5
7	2	1	5	6	8	3	9	4
4	9	5	7	3	2	6	1	8
5	4	3	6	2	7	1	8	9
6	1	2	3	8	9	5	4	7
9	8	7	1	5	4	2	3	6
8	7	4	2	1	6	9	5	3
1	3	6	8	9	5	4	7	2
2	5	9	4	7	3	8	6	1

CARTOONS

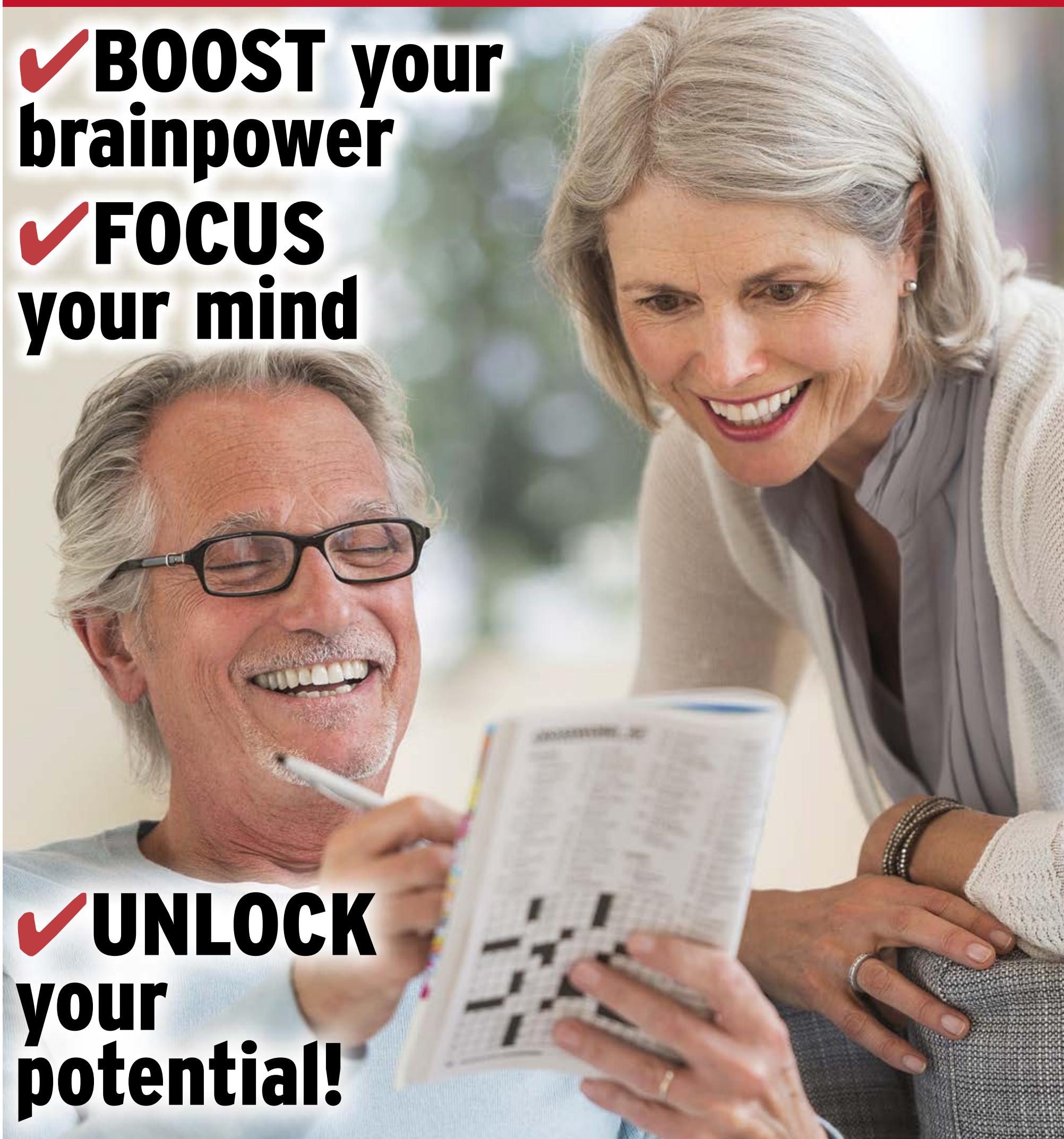


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WORDSEARCH

Can you find all the listed items in the grid? Words may read forwards or backwards, horizontally, vertically or diagonally.

GEOMETRY



ACUTE
ADJACENT
AREA
AXIS
CIRCLE
COMPASS
CONGRUENT
DEGREES

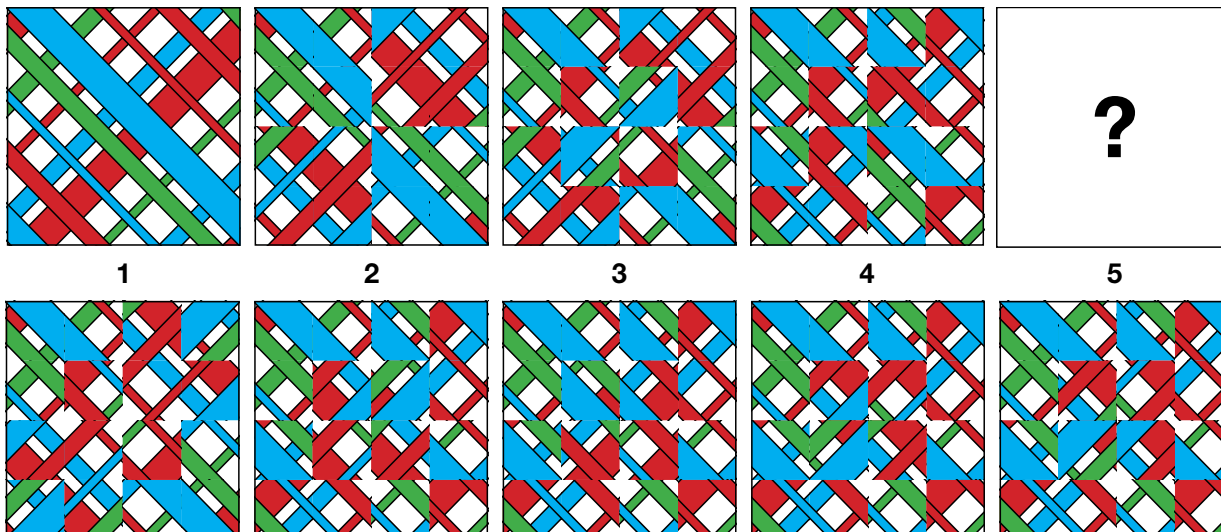
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EDGE
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FRACTAL
ISOSCELES
OBLIQUE
OBTUSE

PARALLEL
PERIMETER
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PRISM
PROTRACTOR
RADIUS
RIGHT ANGLE
SCALENE

SPHERE
SYMMETRY
TANGENT
VECTOR
VERTEX
VOLUME

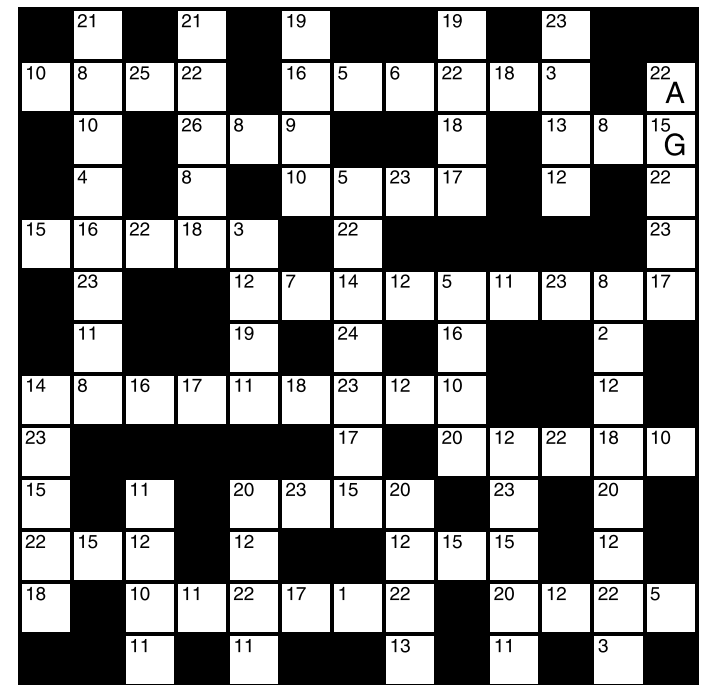
PATTERN MAKER

Which one of the numbered squares on the bottom row should replace the question mark to follow the logical pattern in this sequence?



CODEWORD

This puzzle has no clues. Instead, every number printed in the grid represents a letter. Use your knowledge of words to solve the puzzle. Two letters are given to start you off.



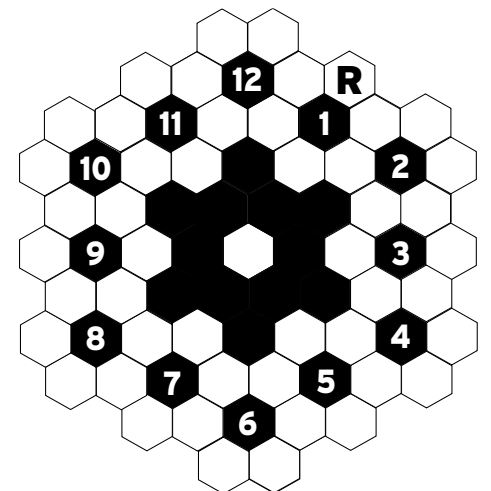
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

HONEYCOMB

All the solutions read clockwise around their numbers. The solution to clue number 1 starts from the given letter.

- 1 Campanologist
- 2 Type of metal
- 3 Guide
- 4 Strip
- 5 Cleaning cloth
- 6 Sting
- 7 Rodent
- 8 Offshoot
- 9 Grind
- 10 Digit
- 11 Take off
- 12 Annul



BATTLESHIPS

In Battleships, you have to find where the fleet of ships shown are hidden in the ten by ten grid. The numbers to the right of and below the grid indicate how many of the squares in that row are filled in with ships or parts of ships. The ships do not touch each other, even diagonally. Some squares have been filled in to start you off.

THE FLEET

1 x Battleship



2 x Cruiser



3 x Destroyer



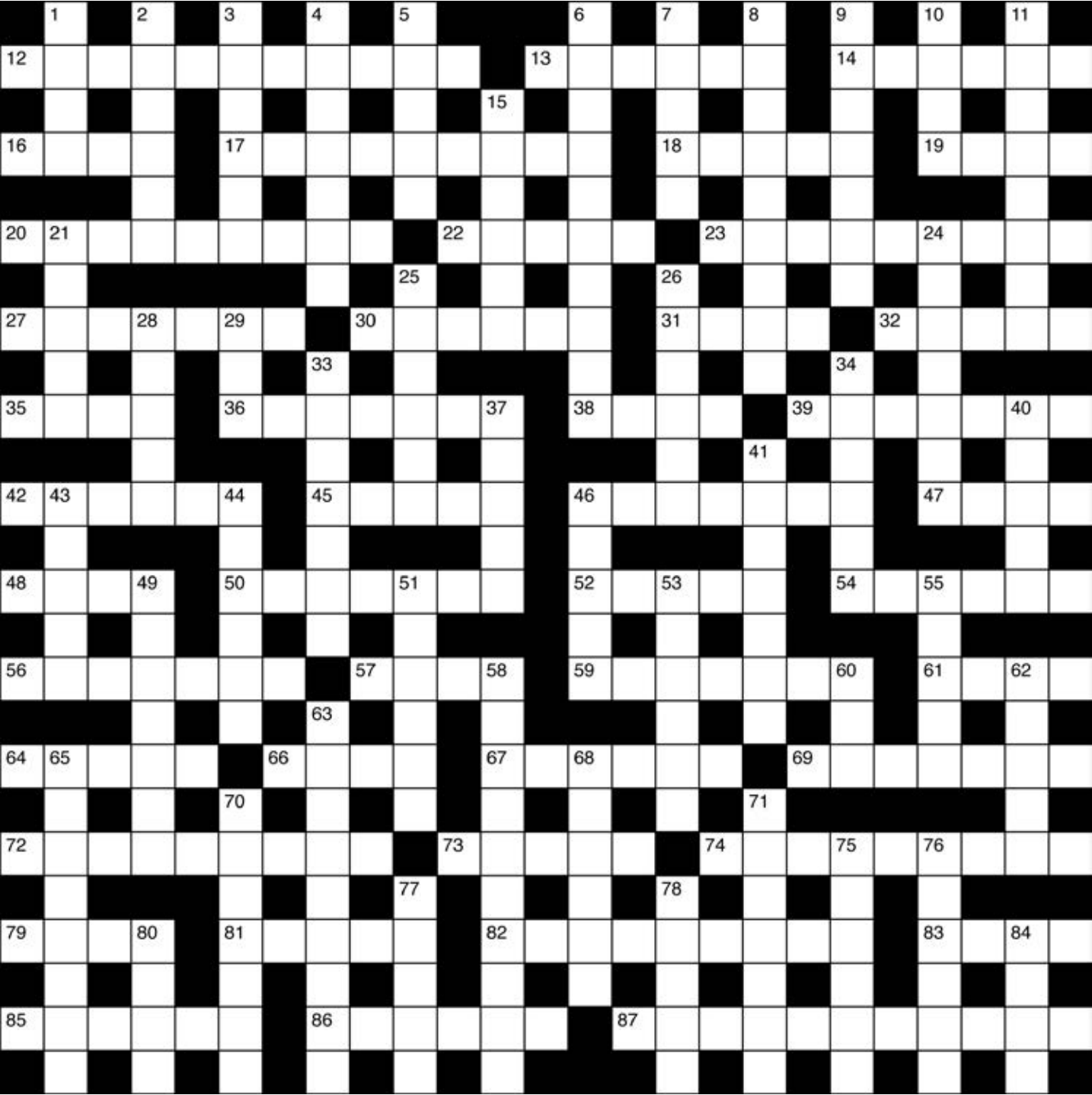
4 x Submarine



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B											1
C											2
D											2
E											2
F											1
G											1
H											4
I											1
J											2
	1	3	2	1	3	2	0	5	2	1	

GIANT TWO-SPEED CROSSWORD

Choose between straight and cryptic clues in this giant crossword - both sets lead to the same answers.



STRAIGHT

- ACROSS
- 12 Chilliness (3,2,3,3)
13 Shape (6)
14 Assumed (4,2)
16 Colour (4)
17 Peak period (5,4)
18 Drink (5)
19 Propose (4)
20 Direction (9)
22 Proper (5)
23 Unaware (2,3,4)
27 Delving (7)
30 Mean (6)
31 Fellow (4)
32 Harassed (5)
35 Look (4)
36 Stop (7)
38 Sketch (4)
39 Perception (7)
42 Tail (6)
45 Give to (5)
46 Remote (7)
47 Happy (4)
48 Female name (4)
50 Perturbed (7)
52 Be rebuked (3,2)
54 Argument (6)
56 Soldier (7)
57 Box (4)
59 Bird (7)
61 Bag (4)
64 Concise (5)
66 Abhor (4)
67 Gentleman (6)
69 Here (7)
72 Painting (5,4)
73 Splendour (5)
74 Unhappy (9)
79 Gripped (4)
81 Month (5)
82 Don't worry (5,4)
83 List (4)
85 Gets up (6)
86 Light (6)
87 Easy (5,2,4)
- DOWN
- 1 Money drawer (4)
2 Take off (6)
3 Fasten (6)
4 Feminine name (7)
5 Dismissed (5)
6 Agreeing with (4-6)
7 Blow (5)
8 Listen (4,2,3)
9 Stiff (7)
10 Class (4)
11 Talk (8)
15 Small (6)
21 Tree (5)
24 Sweetheart (7)
25 Certainly (6)
26 Particles (6)
28 Wounded (5)
29 Sleep (3)
33 Flaws (7)
34 Joined (6)
37 Pulled (5)
40 Middle (5)
41 Quickly (7)
43 Fly (5)
44 Heat (6)
46 Deary (5)
49 Divers (7)
51 Drank (6)
53 Illustrations (6)
55 Reverses (5)
58 Discursively (10)
60 Fight (3)
62 Feel (5)
63 Much reduced (4-5)
65 Previously (8)
68 Endeavour (6)
70 Foreign (7)
71 Enchant (7)
75 Very keen (3-3)
76 Hit (6)
77 Glitter (5)
78 Weight (5)
80 Cooked (4)
84 Water (4)

CRYPTIC

- ACROSS
- 12 Drink the stewardess brings you - it's cold (3,2,3,3)
13 Reckon, from the shape (6)
14 Assumed, when one made a fuss (4,2)
16 The little boy's clothes are dirty (4)
17 For a good while, it has a lot of viewers (5,4)
18 Ride off, having had a cold drink (5)
19 Propose you find yourself somewhere else to live (4)
20 Downright when giving direction (9)
22 The proper time to have spoken about (5)
23 Unaware one won't be able to read (2,3,4)
27 Living with and doing some gardening for (7)
30 Mean in the end he gets lost (6)
31 Fellow in the hand cream advertisement (4)
32 Harassed, which is detrimental, to start off with (5)
35 Look. The point has penetrated through (4)
36 Stop something happening to the pair (7)
38 Charge back to put in the picture (4)
39 Showing perception, I fix things (7)
42 Tail the animal had caught in (6)
45 Provide, for the party, a new swinging environment (5)
46 Far from cold (7)
47 It's a happy wagtail, boy (4)
- 48 She's started saving, for a change (4)
50 Perturbed by what baby did with the toy (7)
52 For business, a turning point and you get in trouble (3,2)
54 Argument with a cricketer that's indeed cut short (6)
56 He wears uniform, but not in public (7)
57 Box I packed in Paris (4)
59 How it will do away with flies (7)
61 Beforehand, inspect the container (4)
64 Insufficient, to be concise (5)
66 Abhor and loathe changing the ending (4)
67 The gentleman using the spray (6)
69 As before, delighted to be here (7)
72 Yet the biography requires a picture (5,4)
73 Gosh! Got a bloody left in! (5)
74 Unhappy with the media, going into action (9)
79 Claimed the old didn't have to (4)
81 A 31-day demo? (5)
82 Don't worry. Won't under any circumstances bother about (5,4)
83 Curl up with the list (4)
85 For rises, is still effective (6)
86 Is it possible to get led astray by the light? (6)
87 Something easy to order in a café (5,2,4)
- DOWN
- 1 As far as "That's where the money goes" (4)
2 On day four set out, or take off (6)
3 Fasten, as usual (6)
4 Smiles wryly at a girl (7)
5 If upset and angry at being laid off (5)
6 Thinking as you do, favour "cared for" (4-6)
7 The puppet is a big hit (5)
8 Listen when Len and Dan are rattling on (4,2,3)
9 Stiff, bend to enter the enclosure (7)
10 Make, in class (4)
11 Talk of a house the Severn flows by (8)
15 Tell off about it, but not much (6)
21 The one in love, silly girl! ... (5)
24 ... and the bold figure entering is the sweetheart (7)
25 Smart to take action, certainly (6)
26 Differences in the particles (6)
28 Leave angry and wounded (5)
29 Criticise for returning to have a rest (3)
33 Is disloyal to, proving one's not perfect (7)
34 One fool got caught in, due to dither (6)
37 Drawn to, married (5)
40 The middle, or centre, of the theatre is rebuilt (5)
41 Quickly has it changed to "Lazy and heartless" (7)
43 Hard to get across to? Fly (5)
- 44 Thaw out, if you put back, mister, in the heat (6)
46 What you cast your bread upon the waters for, love (5)
49 As divers, cut a figure (7)
51 Went round and had a drink (6)
53 Thin layers shown in the illustrations (6)
55 Either supports or turns tail (5)
58 How the hiker described his walks? (10)
60 A rookie retreating from the fight (3)
62 Feel, when you look round the quarters (5)
63 Very cheap rifle chap acquired crooked (4-5)
65 Their having dripped in the hot mixture previously (8)
68 Having advertised, heartbroken, for, endeavour to (6)
70 Foreign films he made (7)
71 Weaving the web, long to enchant (7)
75 Very keen to change the other figure in (3-3)
76 Gave the impression one had become violent (6)
77 A lady covered in will glitter (5)
78 Having a smile about the weight (5)
80 The one that came to a bad end had cheated (4)
84 In the gondola, keep dabbling in the water (4)

Fill the grid so that every column, row and 3x3 square includes all the digits from 1 to 9

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9				2				8
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Arrange these crossword fragments to create two completed symmetrical crosswords.

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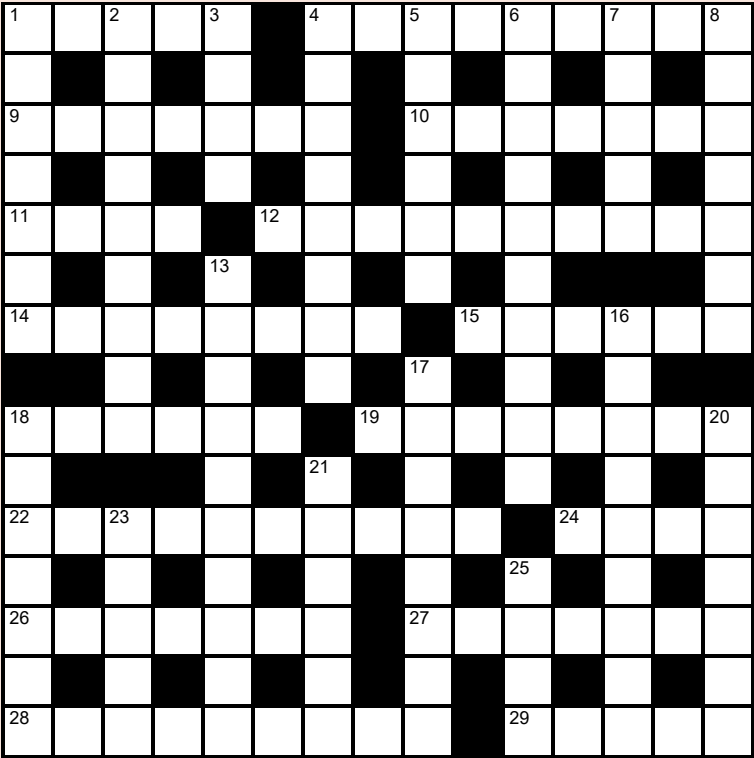
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The arrows show the direction in which the answer to each clue should be placed.

Beak	▼	Foot covering	▼	Froned plant	▼	Single entity	▼	Total	▼	Unwrap	▼	Semi-aquatic mammal	▼	Battery fluid	▼	Second-hand	▼
XVIII				Goal				Make-up	▶								
▶				▼				Time to relax									
		Paddle	▶			Unwell	▶	▼		Put money into		Strictly's top mark		Fastener		Cricket team	
		Tracked down				Hatchet											
▶		▼				▼			Meant	▶		▼		▼		▼	
							B&B	▶			Chapter in history	▶				Rhythm in music	
Wisdom	Breaker		Ladder step		Require		Flower stalk				Inquires						Repair
▶	▼		▼		▼		▼			Delivery vehicle	▶		Article	▶			▼
													Insect				
Sharp	▶					Pipes	▶					Surviving	▶				
Cooker													▼				
▶				At any time	▶				In My __, TV series	▶					Males	▶	
Fringed	▶					Thaws	▶					Fashion	▶				

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

Test your grasp of the facts with this general knowledge challenge.

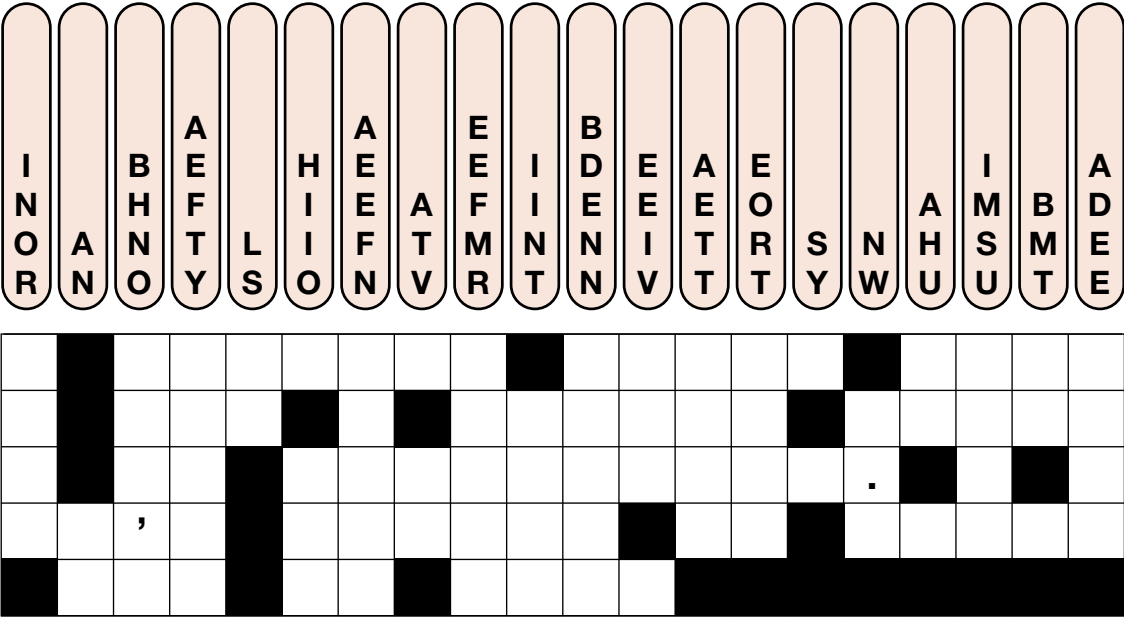


- ACROSS**
- 1 Any native of Louisiana descended from 18th-century Acadian immigrants (5)
 - 4 City in southern Israel; largest in the Negev desert (9)
 - 9 US port in New York State at the eastern end of Lake Erie (7)
 - 10 Belief that natural objects and phenomena and the universe itself possess living souls (7)
 - 11 Tourist city in north east Hungary at the centre of a wine-producing region (4)
 - 12 Richard ___, actor who played Bertram Muffet in film comedy Carry On Loving (10)
 - 14 Actress who played Chaddonay Lane-Pascoe in ITV drama series Footballers' Wives (5,3)
 - 15 Charybdis' partner in Greek mythology (6)
 - 18 City and major railway junction in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, India, near the Krishna River delta (6)
 - 19 Actress who played Tanya Branning in BBC TV soap EastEnders 2006-18 (2,6)
 - 22 1970s ITV children's drama series starring Michael MacKenzie as Tarot (3,2,5)
 - 24 Bryan ___, 2008 Olympic decathlon gold medallist (4)
 - 26 Alessandro ___, Italian sculptor whose works include the Fuga d'Attila relief and Portrait of Camillo Pamphili (7)
 - 27 ___ Boggs, character in Monsters, Inc. voiced by Steve Buscemi (7)
 - 28 The scientific study of celestial bodies and the universe as a whole (9)
 - 29 Edmund ___, Best Actor in a Supporting Role Oscar nominee for Mister 880 (5)

- DOWN**
- 1 Groups of gossamer threads spun by spiders (7)
 - 2 Thomas ___, US president from 1801-09 (9)
 - 3 A tide that occurs at the first or last quarter of the moon (4)
 - 4 A training centre for military recruits (4,4)
 - 5 Electronic messages (1-5)
 - 6 1985 Derby-winning horse (4,6)
 - 7 ___ Wharton, The Age of Innocence novelist (5)
 - 8 Republic whose capital is Yerevan (7)
 - 13 Pioneer mail courier and banking service that operated in the western US from the mid-19th century (5,5)
 - 16 WWII US system of support for Allied nations (4-5)
 - 17 Heavy cotton pile fabric with lengthways ribs (8)
 - 18 Greenish-brown lizard-like reptile endemic to New Zealand (7)
 - 20 English ventriloquist who first appeared on TV with his puppet Lord Charles in the 1960s (3,4)
 - 21 White or unbleached cotton fabric with no printed design (6)
 - 23 Number represented by the letters VIII in Roman numerals (5)
 - 25 Small problem (4)

QUOTE DOWN

Drop the letters in each column to reconstruct a quote by Neil Armstrong. Words may be split across two lines.



LOGIC

Can you work out who presents each radio show?

After working at Chromatic FM for six years, Robin had finally been entrusted with scheduling the weekday radio programmes. He jotted down some notes about each radio show and the presenters who host them, and decided to finalise the schedule fully with the radio technician Kelsie.

"Popworld is the most popular show with 9 million average listeners.

I think it should be broadcast at drive time," said Robin.

"Great. I will add that into the schedule for 5pm," replied Kelsie.

"Annie's show has twice as many listeners as Ballad Hour," added Robin.

"Annie will be pleased to hear that. Shall we schedule Ballad Hour for 11am?" asked Kelsie.

"Yes that sounds like a good idea. I'm going to schedule News Talk, which is hosted by Simon, to begin four hours later than Kirsty's programme," said Robin.

"The programme hosted by Zane has more listeners than both The Big Debate and the show which is scheduled for 3pm, separately," said Kelsie.

"That's useful information. Let's schedule the show that Zane hosts for 7pm then," replied Robin.

At the end of their conversation, Robin dashed off to a meeting with his boss to present the finalised radio schedule. Can you figure out who he will announce as the host for each programme, and what time the shows are scheduled for?

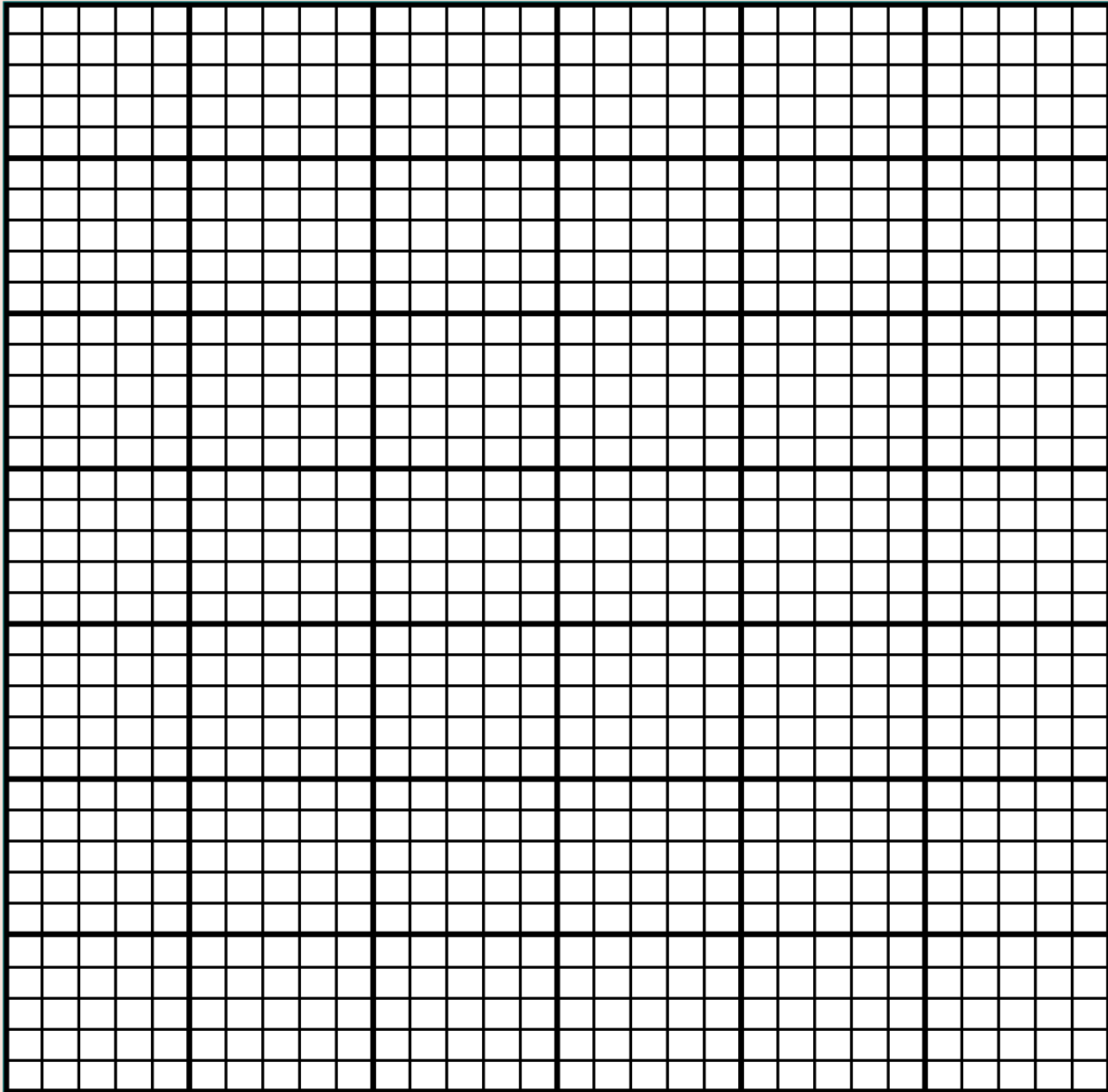
	Simon	Annie	Chris	Kirsty	Zane	9am	11am	3pm	5pm	7pm	1.5 million	3 million	5 million	6 million	9 million
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The Big Debate															
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NONAGRAM

AN UPRIGHT CITIZEN

Each column and row has a series of numbers next to it. These refer to the number of adjacent squares that should be filled in. If more than one number appears, that line will contain more than one block to be filled in. The solid blocks must appear in the order that the numbers are printed. For example, a row that contains the numbers 7,5 would contain, somewhere, a block of seven adjacent filled-in squares, then a gap of one or more empty squares and then a block of five adjacent filled-in squares. When complete, the grid will reveal a picture.



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TRIVIA WORDSEARCH

Answer the questions and find the answers in the grid.

TRACK AND FIELD

- 1 The 1964 comedy A Shot In The Dark features which bungling police officer? (8)

2 Edward I of England was also known as the Hammer of - which nation's people? (3,5)

3 What type of rare coin features in Raymond Chandler's novel The High Window? (8)

4 Which runner is said to have run to Athens with news of the Greek victory over the Persians at the Battle of Marathon? (12)

5 Which group backed Smokey Robinson on his 1965 hit The Tracks Of My Tears? (3,8)
- 6 What was the name of the barmaid played by Shelley Long in TV sitcom Cheers? (5,8)

7 Which classical Greek sculptor is credited with creating the statue known as Discobolus? (5)

8 The ancient measurement the pole had two alternative names; the rod was one, what was the other? (5)

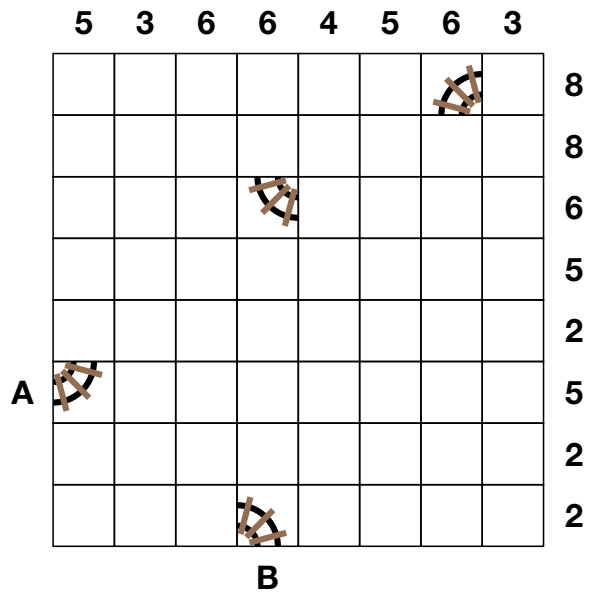
9 Who wrote the 1970 novella The Triple Echo, about an army deserter in the Second World War? (1,1,5)

10 Who directed the 1962 Western The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance? (4,4)

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MAKING TRACKS

Numbers around the outside indicate how many squares in each row and column the track passes through between A and B. The track either passes straight through a square or turns at right angles in it.



BIG X SUDOKU

In Big X Sudoku, normal sudoku rules apply, but the 9x9 sudoku at the centre shares four of its 3x3 boxes with those of the outer sudokus.

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ENTER VOWEL

Each clue is the answer word with the vowels removed. For example, a clue PL (4) might lead to Plea, Pile, Peal, Opal etc., but not Loop or Lope. You'll have to work out which option fits with its neighbours to complete the grid.

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- ACROSS
- 1 SBLS (8)

6 PD (4)

8 SKS (4)

9 RTFRM (3,4)

10 FLR (5)

11 NCTY (6)

12 RSLVS (9)

17 HMN (6)

19 NC (5)

21 PLT (7)

22 LS (4)

23 STY (4)

24 TRMRC (8)
- DOWN
- 2 NSF (6)

3 LSS (5)

4 VTRS (7)

5 TN (5)

6 PLC (4,3)

7 NMT (6)

13 NWR (7)

14 LNGR (7)

15 TPT (6)

16 SNS (6)

18 VNT (5)

20 VD (5)

WORD GAMES

THREE LETTERS

Which three-letter word completes the following longer words?

			M
B			D
S	A		N
I	G		

NINER

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

5	7	1	6	8	7	4
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= old

3	2	7	8
---	---	---	---

= an old symbol

9	3	2	6	9
---	---	---	---	---

= an old soothsayer

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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PYRAMID

Starting with the single letter at the top, add a new letter and rearrange to form a new word at each stage until you reach the word at the bottom. There may be more than one solution.

A								
A	L	T	E	R	N	A	T	E

ANAGRAMS

Unscramble each of the phrases below to reveal the names of five types of aircraft.

ON RED

LEAP BIN

CHEER PILOT

OH, ALL-IRON BOAT!

I'M COL. RIGHT

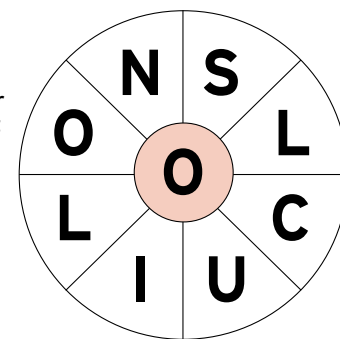
30-SECOND BRAIN TEASER

Boost your brain power with our 30-second test. Start with the number on the left and follow the instructions. Beginners should aim to complete the puzzle in 30 seconds. Intermediates should finish their own puzzle and the Beginner's puzzle. Advanced players have 30 seconds to complete their own plus the Intermediate. Good luck!

BEGINNER	14	+38	25% of this	+53	7/11 of this	-15	Reverse the digits	÷6	+29	ANSWER
INTERMEDIATE	327	-54	4/7 of this	+75	÷11	+183	75% of this	-69	÷7	ANSWER
ADVANCED	76	Increase by 75%	+342	7/19 of this	+249	5/8 of this	-184	Take the square root	×24	ANSWER

WORD WHEEL

You have 10 mins to find as many words as possible using the letters in the wheel. Each must use the hub letter and at least 3 others. Letters may be used only once. You cannot use plurals, foreign words or proper nouns. There is at least one 9-letter word to be found.



How you rate
15 average
20 good
25 very good
30 excellent

SOLUTIONS

CODEWORD

1=Z, 2=V, 3=D, 4=Q, 5=P, 6=W, 7=X, 8=O, 9=Y, 10=S, 11=T, 12=E, 13=L, 14=C, 15=G, 16=U, 17=N, 18=R, 19=B, 20=H, 21=M, 22=A, 23=I, 24=K, 25=F, 26=J

HONEYCOMB

1 Ringer. 2 Nickel. 3 Leader. 4 Denude. 5 Duster. 6 Tingle. 7 Gerbil. 8 Branch. 9 Crunch. 10 Number. 11 Remove. 12 Revoke.

PATTERN MAKER

SQUARE 4. Each box is divided into sixteen squares. The sequence alternates between two sets of changes: first, the four outer quadrants are rotated by varying degrees (top left: no change, top right: 90 degrees clockwise, bottom right: 180 degrees, bottom left 270 degrees clockwise), second, the four central squares are rotated 90 degrees clockwise.

GIANT TWO-SPEED CROSSWORD

ACROSS: 12 Nip in the air, 13 Figure, 14 Took on, 16 Blue, 17 Prime time, 18 Cider, 19 Move, 20 Southeast, 22 Staid, 23 In the dark, 27 Digging, 30 Intend, 31 Chap, 32 Tried, 35 Peer, 36 Prevent, 38 Draw, 39 Insight, 42 Shadow, 45 Endow, 46 Distant, 47 Glad, 48 Avis, 50 Rattled, 52 Cop it, 54 Debate, 56 Private, 57 Spar, 59 Swallow, 61 Case, 64 Short, 66 Hate, 67 Mister, 69 Present, 72 Still life, 73 Glory, 74 Depressed, 79 Held, 81 March, 82 Never mind, 83 Roll, 85 Stands, 86 Candle, 87 Piece of cake.

DOWN: 1 Till, 2 Divest, 3 Staple, 4 Melissa, 5 Fired, 6 Like-minded, 7 Punch, 8 Lend an ear, 9 Starchy, 10 Form, 11 Converse, 15 Little, 21 Olive, 24 Darling, 25 Indeed, 26 Scraps, 28 Gored, 29 Nap, 33 Defects, 34 United, 37 Towed, 40 Heart, 41 Hastily, 43 Hover, 44 Warmth, 46 Ducks, 49 Several, 51 Lapped, 53 Plates, 55 Backs,

58 Ramblingly, 60 War, 62 Sense, 63 Half-price, 65 Hitherto, 68 Strive, 70 Flemish, 71 Bewitch, 75 Red-hot, 76 Struck, 77 Shine, 78 Grain, 80 Done, 84 Lake.

GK CROSSWORD

ACROSS: 1 Cajun, 4 Beersheba, 9 Buffalo, 10 Animism, 11 Eger, 12 O'Callaghan, 14 Susie Amy, 15 Scylla, 18 Tenali, 19 Jo Joyner, 22 Ace of wands, 24 Clay, 26 Algardi, 27 Randall, 28 Astronomy, 29 Gwenn. DOWN: 1 Cobwebs, 2 Jefferson, 3 Neap, 4 Boot camp, 5 E-mails, 6 Slip Anchor, 7 Edith, 8 Armenia, 13 Wells Fargo, 16 Lend-lease, 17 Corduroy, 18 Tuatara, 20 Ray Alan, 21 Calico, 23 Eight, 25 Snag.

QUOTE DOWN

"I believe every human has a finite number of heartbeats. I don't intend to waste any of mine"

TRIVIA WORDSEARCH

1 Clouseau, 2 The Scots, 3 Doubloon, 4 Pheidippides, 5 The

Miracles, 6 Diane Chambers, 7 Myron, 8 Perch, 9 H E Bates, 10 John Ford

NINER

CURTAINED

THREE LETTERS

LOO, LOOM, BLOOD, SALOON, IGLOO

PYRAMID

One way is a, at, tea, rate, treat, natter, entreat, anteater, alternate

ANAGRAMS

Drone, Biplane, Helicopter, Hot-air balloon, Microlight

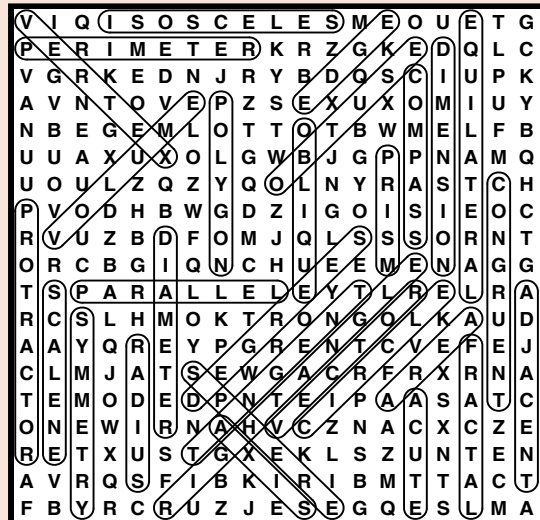
WORD WHEEL

coil, coils, coin, coins, collins, collusion, colon, cons, consul, conus, cool, cools, coos, cousin, icon, insoul, lino, lion, loco, locus, loin, loon, nous, oils, olio, onus, scion, scullion, silo, soil, solo, sonic, soon, soul, unco, uncoil, uncoils, uncool.

30-SECOND BRAIN TEASER

Beginner 41, Intermediate 12, Advanced 216.

WORDSEARCH



NONAGRAM



SUDOKU EASY

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SUDOKU HARD

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ARROWWORD

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BIG X SUDOKU

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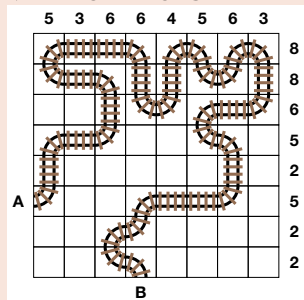
DOUBLE JIGWORD A

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S	I	G	N	E			
T	E	L	L	I	N	G	L
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DOUBLE JIGWORD B

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MAKING TRACKS



ENTER VOWEL

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LOGIC

Radio show	Presenter	Time	Listeners
Ballad Hour	Kirsty	11am	1.5 million
The Big Debate	Annie	9am	3 million
Jazz Odyssey	Zane	7pm	6 million
News Talk	Simon	3pm	5 million
Popworld	Chris	5pm	9 million

MATCH OF THE DAY

Two superstars take centre stage in a cracking Juddmonte International but has a certain item been overlooked?

OMBUDSMAN

CONSTITUTION RIVER

ITEM

**NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3
VERDICT PAGE 8**

YORKSHIRE GRIT

Local trainers give Mirror readers their best hopes of the week **P6&7**

NEWSBOY

1.50 THE MAN (NAP)
2.25 HAFNER
3.00 PIERRE BONNARD (NB)
3.35 ITEM
4.10 TEAM PLAYER
4.45 UNDERWRITER
5.20 HAVANA SPRITE
BOUVERIE
1.50 AIR FORCE ONE
2.25 ALFRED WALLACE
3.00 PIERRE BONNARD
3.35 CONSTITUTION RIVER
4.10 VALEDICTORY
4.45 NAANA'S SHADOW (NAP)
5.20 HENLEY ON THAMES

JACKPOT MEETING

GOING: Good.
COURSE: Left-handed, u-shaped track of 2m, 5f run-in. Races of 7f start on a spur.
DRAW: Inconsistent on straight, low best on round course.
TOP TRAINERS: W Haggas 41-220 (18.6%), A Balding 40-229 (17.5%), K R Burke 33-295 (11.2%), K Ryan 27-336 (8.0%), J & T Gosden 27-118 (22.9%), R & P Fahey 26-437 (5.9%), R Beckett 25-151 (16.6%), D O'Meara 20-377 (5.3%).
TRAINER TARGETS (won today's race at least twice in last 10 years): A Balding won the 2.25 in '22 and '25. A P O'Brien won the 3.00 in '16, '23 and '24. J & T Gosden won the 3.00 in '17 and '19. A P O'Brien won the 3.35 in '19 and '24. J & T Gosden won the 3.35 in '18, '21, '23 and '25. R & P Fahey won the 5.20 in '16 and '24.
TOP JOCKEYS: Tom Marquand 32-215 (14.9%), William Buick 31-165 (18.8%), Daniel Tudhope 29-285 (10.2%), Oisin Murphy 28-166 (16.9%), Ryan Moore 25-135 (18.5%), Rossa Ryan 21-159 (13.2%), P J McDonald 19-151 (12.6%).
1ST TIME BLINKERS: 4.10 Valedictory, 5.20 Savage Mariner.
CHEEKPIECES: 1.50 Dubai Bling, Gold Star Hero, Lexington Blitz, The Man, Ziggy's Triton, 3.35 Devil's Advocate, Hawk Mountain, 4.10 Boatswain, Kirchner, Team Player, 5.20 Fantasy Force, Jumeirah Storm, The Dancing Pirate.
PROFITABLE RACES FOR FAVS: 3.35.

IN FORM

TRAINERS: E Bethell 9-22 (41%), D Skelton 2-5 (40%), J Candlish 3-8 (38%), S & E Crisford 9-25 (36%), A Keatley 2-6 (33%), A Perrett 2-6 (33%), F Graffard 11-35 (31%), J Tate 4-13 (31%), C Fellowes 3-10 (30%), Tom Clover 5-18 (28%), D & C Kubler 4-15 (27%), Harry Charlton 3-11 (27%), J Butler 7-26 (27%).
JOCKEYS: Ryan Moore 8-18 (44%), Brian Hughes 2-5 (40%), Harry Skelton 2-5 (40%), Hector Crouch 14-35 (40%), S A Gray 6-15 (40%), Oisin Orr 12-32 (38%), Mikey Sheehy 4-11 (36%), Warren Fentiman 2-6 (33%), Daniel Tudhope 12-40 (30%), Rhys Clutterbuck 3-10 (30%), William Buick 3-10 (30%), Ebrahim Nader 2-7 (29%).

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LATEST WINNERS

RIVER WHARFE
WON 2-1 (Brighton)

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WON 1-1 (Chester)

BLUE PRINCE
WON 13-8 (Chester)

CROWN AND TWO
WON 7-2 (Newmarket)

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STEVE JONES' VALUE SCOPE



QUICK OFF THE BLOCKS

Naana's Sparkle (left) has the necessary speed to ignite the HKJC World Pool Handicap

SPARKLE ALL SET TO GLOW

De Souza's sprinter has the fire to light up opener

ADD a bit of Sparkle into your life on the opening day of York's wonderful Ebor Festival.

NAANA'S SPARKLE (1.50) lines up in a competitive opening HKJC World Pool Handicap having been unlucky not to catch the rejuvenated Twilight Calls in a competitive sprint at the Glorious Goodwood meeting last month.

His far-side draw made life a little difficult and he ran into all sorts of traffic problems when trying to throw down a challenge.

To be beaten only a head was a superb effort. It was a clear personal best and he had won two of his previous three starts after joining in-form trainer Lemos de Souza.

There's little doubt he is still improving and he's got plenty of speed. He's also won over 6f, so today's 5f 89yds on a sharp track should be ideal.

Have 1pt each-way at **12-1**. A

few bookies are paying out on six places

SHES GOT A BROTHER (4.45) has only had six starts and she looks to have been ignored in the betting for the Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Handicap due to a disappointing display at Goodwood three weeks ago.

The tricky Sussex track didn't look to suit this unexposed

three-year-old filly when well beaten behind Naana's Shadow.

Today's sharp, flat course should be much more to her liking and her previous form gives her an excellent chance.

She won her first two starts in novice races in April before finishing fourth over today's course and distance on her handicap debut.

The form of that race worked

out very well and she backed it up by finishing third in the 3YO Dash at Epsom on Derby weekend.

She is incredibly well weighted with Naana's Shadow and she has what looks like a favourable draw.

Have 2pts each-way on Mick and David Easterby's sprinter at **16-1**. A couple of firms are offering six places.

GOD GIVEN TALENT (5.20) makes his debut for trainer William Haggas (left) in the Sky Bet Nursery.

He made a winning start to his career for James Ferguson – who quit training recently – before chancing his arm in the Group 2 Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot.

That race was a bit too tough and he was bumped at the start in a good Newbury Listed contest last time.

The drop in grade to a handicap should be to his liking. Have 1pt each-way at **12-1**. Several bookies go six places.

TOM MARQUAND

The top rider's insights on day one of York

GBR GREAT BRITISH RACING

SUCH A SPECIAL PLACE

YORK is a special racecourse for me, particularly given the job I have riding for William Haggas and being a proud Yorkshireman.

It is a place he naturally targets with some of his best horses. And it's become a hugely important part of my calendar. Thankfully, it's been a very fruitful one for me as I've been lucky enough to finish as leading jockey here.

York is a world-class racecourse, attracts some of the best international horses and is a fantastic,



TALENTED Maltese Cross historic track that is always so well run.

One of my biggest successes there has to be Economics winning the Dante Stakes. That was a very special day. To see him go on and win the Irish Champion Stakes afterwards was fantastic, and he was a really special horse for the yard.

I'm looking forward to getting on **MALTESE CROSS** in the Sy Bet Voltigeur.

He's already a Group 1 winner and finished second in the Derby, so he's got plenty of talent – although he will have to carry a 5lb penalty.

The interesting thing is that the only horse to have beaten him this year is Christmas Day, so it should make for a fascinating race.

I also have a decent chance on **GOD GIVEN TALENT** in the Sky Bet Nursery (5.20).

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1.50 HKJC WORLD POOL STAKES

(HERITAGE H'CAP) (2) (3YO+) 5½f £69,579 (22 run) ITV/RTV



SPENCER HAPPY WITH MAIN MAN



REVENGE MISSION
The Man is tipped to go one better in this race than 12 months ago

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3

1 THE MAN
2 LEXINGTON BLITZ
3 AIR FORCE ONE

THE MAN, edged out by Trefor in this race 12 months ago, is weighted to go one better.

Having landed a course-and-distance handicap at the Dante fixture in May 2025, the son of Mehmas, trained by Richard Spencer (inset) was absent through the summer before going off at 15-2 against 19 rivals.

And The Man so nearly took his record on the Knavesmire to two wins from three attempts,



leading over a furlong from the finish but headed in the closing stages and going under by a head.

Beaten at Southwell in September on his final outing of last season, my selection had his first three starts of this year in Dubai, following a sixth in a Group 2 contest in January by claiming the same

finishing position in two handicaps.

The Man was messed about leaving the stalls when 11th in Newcastle's Gosforth Park Cup after 112 days off but his run behind Twilight Calls at Glorious Goodwood – although 13th, he was just over three lengths behind the winner – was a bit more like it.

Connections persevere with the cheekpieces and tongue strap applied that day and The Man gets the vote to take advantage of a mark 3lb lower than for last August's near-miss.

Lexington Blitz, Trefor and **Air Force One** are just three dangers in a trappy start to the fixture.

	1 (17) 712010 DUBAI BLING (18) (D) H Palmer 4 9-12 O Murphy 108 GF 33-1 (9-11) Wore hood to post, no chance with leaders inside final furlong, plugged on, 10th of 27, 3½ behind Evening Saigon (9-0) at Goodwood 6f hcap (2) gf	
	2 (16) P28312 STRATUSNINE (18) (C) H Palmer 4 9-12 James Doyle 107 GF 25-1 (9-5) Raced far side, forced sustained duel with winner inside final furlong, kept on, 2nd of 27, hd behind Evening Saigon (9-0) at Goodwood 6f hcap (2) gf	
	3 (19) 24-530 WEST ACRE (18) (D) G Scott 4 9-10 D Keenan 106 G 66-1 (9-8) Mounted in chute and wore hood to post, raced near side in last, never on terms, 19th of 27, 7l behind Evening Saigon (9-0) at Goodwood 6f hcap (2) gf	
	4 (13) 102120 DARK THIRTY (18) (C) J & S Quinn 6 9-8 J Hart 107 FM 12-1 (9-0) Taken down early, prominent, ridden along over 1f out, faded inside final furlong, 13th of 27, 4l behind Evening Saigon (9-0) at Goodwood 6f hcap (2) gf	
	5 (9) 1-3321 COROLLA POINT (18) (D) E Bethell 4 9-8 C Rodriguez 107 GF 3-flav (10-0) Wore red hood to post, led over 110yds out, soon joined, kept on, won nod, won at Hamilton 5f hcp 0-100 (2) gd beating Eternal Sunshine (8-8) by shd, 11 ran	
	6 (1) 9-3136 LEXINGTON BLITZ (22) (D) R Cowell 4 9-6 E Greatrex 108 GS 9-1 (9-6) Raced far side, pushed along, ridden and ran on strongly 1f out, held closing stages, 6th of 23, 1¼ behind Twilight Calls (8-12) at Goodwood 5f hcp 105 (2) gd in Jul	
	7 (2) 416-00 CANDY (22) R Spencer 4 9-5 G Wood 110 G 40-1 (9-2) Went to post early wearing red hood, saddle slipped and eased 2f out, last of 23, well behind Twilight Calls (8-12) at Goodwood 5f hcp 105 (2) gd in Jul	
	8 (18) 30-300 AGAINST THE WIND (97) (D) K Ryan 4 9-5 K Stott 111 ST 14-1 (9-4) Far side group, contested lead, ridden over 2f out and weakened quickly over 1f out, last of 21, 25l behind Jakajaro (9-9) at York 5f hcp 0-105 (2) gd in May	
	9 (4) 316045 TOCA MADERA (18) (D) (F) D O'Meara 5 9-4 D Tudhope 107 GF 25-1 (9-0) Raced near side, ridden and kept on well when in clear final furlong, eyecatcher, 5th of 27, 1¼ behind Evening Saigon (9-0) at Goodwood 6f hcap (2) gf	
	10 (20) -04001 TREFOR (9) (CD) (EW) C Hills 5 9-4 K Shoemark 107 G 13-2 (9-4) Chased leaders, soon took second, ridden 1f out, led narrowly over 110yds out, kept on well, won at Windsor 6f hcp (2) gf beating Diligent (8-13) by ¼, 16 ran	
	11 (8) 033825 EROSANDPSYCHE (10) (D) D J Murphy 8 9-3 Oisin Orr 108 G 9-2 (9-11) Mid-division, 6th and pushed along 2f out, ridden over 1f out and kept on one pace inside final furlong, 5th of 12, 1¼ behind Rosie Frith (9-5) at Curragh 5f hcp gf	
	12 (12) 6-1412 NAANA'S SPARKLE (22) (D) Lemos Souza 4 9-3 K O'Neill 107 GF 8-1 (9-0) Wore red hood to post, led narrowly over 110yds out, kept on, headed final strides, 2nd of 23, hd behind Twilight Calls (8-12) at Goodwood 5f hcp 105 (2) gd in Jul	
	13 (7) 788077 SPARTAN ARROW (11) (D) A Watson 6 9-2 L Morris 108 SS 11-1 (9-11) Tracked front pair, pushed along well over 1f out, weakened inside final furlong, 7th of 10, 4½ behind Tuco Salamanca (10-0) at Ascot 5f hcp 105 (2) gf	
	14 (10) 111502 GOLD STAR HERO (11) (D) M Bell 4 9-2 H Crouch 110 ST 20-1 (9-8) Wore red hood to post, led approaching final furlong, headed final 110yds, no extra, 2nd of 10, 1½ behind Tuco Salamanca (10-0) at Ascot 5f hcp 105 (2) gf	
	15 (21) -56310 TOYOTOMI (60) (D) D O'Meara 5 9-2 Rossa Ryan 107 S 80-1 (9-1) Wore hood to post, held up in rear, headway over 1f out, weakened final furlong, 19th of 27, 9l behind Double Rush (9-9) at Royal Ascot 6f hcp 0-110 (2) gf	
	16 (6) 293900 APOLLO ONE (25) P Charalambous & J Clutterbuck — 8 8-13C T Keane 113 G 10-1 (9-6) Prominent, last place over 1f out, 10th of 21, 5l behind Stratusnine (9-7) at York 6f Heritage Handicap (0-105) (3yo+) (2) gf in Jul	
	17 (15) 870311 DAPPER VALLEY (108) (D) Michael Keady 5 8-13 T Marquand 105 GF 8-13fav (10-0) Wore hood to post, strong run final furlong to lead towards finish, won at Salisbury 5f hcp 0-80 (4) gf in May beating Over Spiced (8-10) by 1l, 5 ran	
	18 (5) 510533 AIR FORCE ONE (25) (CD) G Oldroyd 5 8-13 P J McDonald 109 G 9-1 (9-2) Towards rear of mid-division, went second, lost second towards finish, 3rd of 21, ¾ behind Stratusnine (9-7) at York 6f Heritage Handicap (0-105) (3yo+) (2) gf	
	19 (11) 6-0450 STORMY IMPACT (22) (D) R & P Fahey 4 8-11 W Fentiman 108 GS 12-1 (9-5) Raced near side, chased leaders, pushed along over 2f out, soon beaten, 15th of 20, 6l behind Sing The Blues (8-11) at Goodwood 6f hcp 0-95 (3) gd in Jul	
	20 (3) -66600 THE MAN (22) (CD) (SF) R Spencer 4 8-11 David Egan 103 G 22-1 (8-13) Dwelt, raced far side, pushed along and closed 2f out, kept on one pace final furlong, 13th of 23, 3l behind Twilight Calls (8-12) at Goodwood 5f hcp 105 (2) gd	
	21 (14) 707100 ZIGGY'S TRITON (4) (CD) D O'Meara 4 8-10 S De Sousa 109 G 15-2 (9-12) Went early to post, mid-field, asked for effort 2f out, soon held, 10th of 12, 9l behind Rhythm N Hooves (9-2) at Newbury 5f hcp 0-90 (3) gf	
	22 (22) 000607 ANOTHER BAAR (18) (D) A Keatley 6 8-10 MP Sheehy 106 GF 50-1 (9-8) Mid-division, pushed along well over 1f out, never on terms, 7th of 11, 3½ behind Corolla Point (10-0) at Hamilton 5f hcp 0-100 (2) gd	

BETTING: 6 The Man, 13-2 Toca Madera, 15-2 Corolla Point, 8 Naana's Sparkle, Air Force One, Trefor, Lexington Blitz, 10 Stratusnine.
2025: No corresponding race.



REAL JOY TO HEAR RUBY WAX LYRICAL

FESTIVAL BELL-TERS

Revealing tales and top tips from ITV Racing's Oli Bell

THIS is a heavyweight contest to get properly excited about today: Ombudsman v Constitution River – John and Thady Gosden v Aidan O'Brien.

Two great horses and two great yards locking horns in the Juddmonte International in what promises to be the start of a phenomenal week.

I recently went over to Ballydoyle and spoke to Aidan about his York contenders in which he referred to Constitution River as "the boss".

I got the sense from the master trainer that his star three-year-old has the attributes to land the knockout blow.

York regularly serves up amazing sporting spectacles and, with a minimum of £100,000 up for grabs in every race, it's no surprise that it's fiercely competitive.

It's a busy week for us on ITV with a large team both in front of and behind the cameras.

Ruby Walsh is in the analysis hub alongside his trusted sidekick Hannah Gibbs.

Watching them work and pick out moments in a race to highlight and analyse is fascinating.

Elite sportsmen and women seem to have an

uncanny skill at being able to predict events and having Ruby dissect the action is next level.

Hopefully, he'll be analysing plenty of winners that I tip up in this column this week!

BELL'S BANKERS

1.50: Having been just touched off in this race 12 months ago by Trefor, **THE MAN** can make amends. He loves York, is a speedy horse and is well drawn in stall 3.

2.25: The Acomb normally finds a very smart horse and Tom Clover's **FUEL THE JET** is exactly that. He won a good Newbury novice and could outrun his odds.

3.00: The Great Voltiguer is a Group 2 in name only given the first and second in the Derby lock horns once again. I'm siding with **MALTESE CROSS** to reverse the form with Christmas Day.

3.35: As mentioned above, I'm with **CONSTITUTION RIVER**. **4.10:** It's a big week at York for the Rogues Gallery syndicate and I think **KIRCHNER** will get the meeting off to a great start for them. He looks to me like a horse destined for group races.

OLI BELL is a Sky Bet brand ambassador.

“Hopefully, Ruby will analyse plenty of winners that I tip!”

POT OF GOLD



NEIL RANDON'S Placepot fancies



RAID PARTY
Trian can star for the Irish in the 2.25

1.50 TOCA MADERA bounced back with fifth in the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood, after meeting more traffic than on the M25. **AIR FORCE ONE** won at at Beverley in April and never got in a blow when fifth at the Dante meeting here. Has run well twice since. Third 12 months ago.

SELECTIONS: TOCA MADERA, AIR FORCE ONE

2.25 TREAN was impressive when a four-and-three-quarter-length winner at Galway last time.

STARDOM GLORY was second behind subsequent July Stakes scorer Inner City Blues here on his second start, and then won in a Chester maiden in June.

SELECTIONS: TREAN, STARDOM GLORY

3.00 CHRISTMAS DAY was a deserved winner of the Derby at Epsom and followed up with second behind Benvenuto Cellini in the Irish Derby. Can defy a penalty.

SELECTION: CHRISTMAS DAY

3.35 Prix du Jockey Club victor **CONSTITUTION RIVER** is arguably the year's top middle-distance three-year-old,

having retained his unbeaten record when overhauling his elders in the Eclipse at Sandown last month. Winner of the Group 1 Tattersalls Gold Cup, **ALMAQAM** found the ground too quick when fourth behind Ombudsman at Royal Ascot.

SELECTIONS: CONSTITUTION RIVER, ALMAQAM

4.10 IN THE BREEZE

returned to form with an easy success at Southwell last month. Up 6lb. Longer trip could suit him. **MOUNTAIN ROAD** won at Thirsk in May, relishing the two-mile trip. Third last time at Ascot after a layoff and should be in the mix.

SELECTIONS: IN THE BREEZE, MOUNTAIN ROAD

4.45 NAANA'S SHADOW has won four times this term including over course and distance in June and 20 days ago at Goodwood.

MANATEE MEHMAS won well on his debut at Doncaster and was a running-on fourth behind Naana's Shadow last time. Has more to offer.

SELECTIONS: NAANA'S SHADOW, MANATEE MEHMAS

PLACEPOT PLAN: 32 lines at £0.25 = £8

2.25 TATTERSALLS ACOMB STAKES

(GROUP 3) (1) (2YO) 7f £99,243 (11 run) **ITV/RTV**

HAVE FAITH IN A HAFF-A-GO HERO

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3

1 HAFFNER 2 GENTLE HURRICANE 3 ALFRED WALLACE

HAFFNER rates a worthy favourite to register a second career success – and a first at Group level.

The son of Justify went off at 18-1 for his racecourse bow in a six-furlong maiden at the Curragh in June – a race for which his Aidan O'Brien-saddled stablemate Abraham Lincoln started the 11-8 market leader.

The favourite did indeed oblige but Haffner ran with abundant promise to finish a length-and-three-quarter runner-up, particularly considering he showed signs of inexperience.

Ryan Moore's partner went one better on the final day of Newmarket's July Festival, landing a seven-furlong maiden from Al Wathba – a display that led to a challenge for the Group 2 Vintage Stakes over the same distance at Glorious Goodwood 22 days ago.

Sent off at 4-1 in a field



TOP OF CLASS
Haffner should be too good for his rivals in a Group Three contest

of six, Haffner took another step forward with a second to Dr Rascal, battling on determinedly in the closing stages to be beaten half a length by an unbeaten, and smart, two-year-old.

My choice drops a notch

down the class ladder to Group 3 company here and, with more to come, is poised to take full advantage.

Salisbury scorer **Gentle Hurricane** is feared most, ahead of **Alfred Wallace** and **Stardom Glory**.

1	(8) 51051 ALFRED WALLACE (26) (D) E Walker 9-3 K Shoemark 108 GF 3-1fav (9-5) Held up in rear, stayed on strongly final furlong, led near finish, won at Ascot 7f 2yo 1st stk (1) qf in Jul beating Silver Dominion (9-5) by 1l, 10 ran
2	(9) 1517 BIG CIGAR (20) (C) R & P Fahey 9-3 Oisin Orr 97 G 22-1 (9-2) Midfield, made little impression over 1f out, faded inside final furlong, 7th of 10, 5l behind Man's Best Friend (9-2) at Goodwood 6f 2yo Grp 2 (1) qf in Jul
3	(5) 2318 CLASH OF HEARTS (19) A Keatley 9-3 MP Sheehy 89 GF 5-1 (9-5) Pushed along start, prominent, ridden and headway 2f out, faded final furlong, 8th of 18, 3½l behind Revels (9-6) at Goodwood 6f 2yo hcp (2) qf in Jul
4	(10) 21633 CONFUCIUS (32) (BF) A P O'Brien (IRE) 9-3 W M Lordan 107 G 11-10fav (9-5) Held up in touch, ridden in 3rd early final furlong, no impression, kept on one pace, 3rd of 7, 4½l behind Celeron (9-5) at Curragh 6f 2yo Grp 2 (1) qf in Jul
5	(1) 51 FUEL THE JET (33) (D) (EW) Tom Clover 9-3 N Callan 91 GF 9-2 (9-4) Took keen hold, drifted right, kept on always doing enough towards finish, won at Newbury 7f 2yo nov stk (3) qf in Jul beating Cilician (9-4) by hd, 12 ran
6	(6) 1 GENTLE HURRICANE (29) A Balding 9-3 O Murphy 83 G 4-1 (9-2) Prominent, pressed final furlong, asserted near finish, won at Salisbury 6f 2yo nov stk (4) qf in Jul beating Soldier Of The Sea (9-9) by 1½l, 5 ran
7	(11) 212 HAFFNER (22) (D) (SF) A P O'Brien (IRE) 9-3 R L Moore 110 GF 4-1 (9-3) Shifted left start, led narrowly 1f out, kept on, headed closing stages, no extra, 2nd of 6, ½l behind Dr Rascal (9-3) at Goodwood 7f 2yo Grp 2 (1) qd in Jul
8	(2) 102 SIOUXPERB (19) A Watson 9-3 H Crouch 90 SS 15-8 (9-11) Led, headed over 1f out, kept on and every chance inside final furlong, led towards finish, 2nd of 8, nk behind Sonic Angel (9-4) at Newcastle 6f nov stks (4)
9	(4) 221 STARDOM GLORY (53) H Palmer 9-3 James Doyle 95 GF 11-8fav (9-7) Wore hood to start, led inside final 110yds, ran on well, won at Chester 6f 2yo mdn (4) qd in Jun beating The Dancing Pirate (9-7) by 1l, 6 ran
10	(7) 301 TREAN (23) (D) (F) P Twomey (IRE) 9-3 W J Lee 99 G 11-4 (9-5) Disputed lead, ridden and edged left inside final furlong, stayed on strongly, easily, won at Galway 7f mdn stks in Jul beating City Of Gold (9-5) by 5l, 8 ran
11	(3) 41 VEGA KING (22) (D) K R Burke 9-3 C Lee 91 GF 7-2 (9-7) Took keen hold, faced challenge when all out towards finish, just prevailed, won at Beverley 7f 2yo nov stk (3) qf in Jul beating Apulia Bay (9-7) by shd, 4 ran

BETTING: 6-4 Haffner, 5 Trean, 13-2 Confucius, Alfred Wallace, 7 Gentle Hurricane, 12 Vega King, 14 Stardom Glory, Fuel The Jet.
2025: GEWAN 9 3, P J McDonald 11-2 (A Balding), drawn (7), 7 ran.

STAT OF THE DAY

Trainer **Katie Scott** and jockey **Oisin Murphy** have a 67 per cent strike rate when teaming up at York – two wins from three runners for a level-stake profit of £13.20pts. So look out for **NAANA'S SHADOW** (4.45).

BEST LONGSHOT

(Today's best each-way bet): **APOLLO ONE** (1.50 York)

Murphy opens up his stable doors

BY **JON LEES**

TOP jumps trainer Olly Murphy is throwing open his doors to up to 2,000 visitors out of an eagerness to show horse racing in the best possible light.

Murphy will be joined by champion jump jockey Sean Bowen at his 145-box yard at Wilmcote, near Stratford-Upon-Avon, at the event next Tuesday, one of the biggest stable visits to be staged during National Racehorse Week.

Over 10 days from August 22 to 31, 96 different racing venues across England, Scotland and Wales will be open to the public, alongside over 50 community events and three city activations



ENTHUSIASTIC
Olly Murphy at his Wilmcote stables

held at some of England's biggest cities and landmarks.

Following the success of the racing pop-up in Chester city centre last year, three racing-themed pop-up experiences will arrive in city centres, two in Liverpool and one in Portsmouth when families who may never have visited a racecourse before have the chance to meet a racehorse.

Spaces are available for more than 15,500 people to attend public events this year, an increase on last year's figure of 14,800 free spaces available to book. During the event there will be 111 public open days across 96 venues including: 76 training

yards, 11 studs and nine aftercare centres

Murphy has been a staunch supporter of National Racehorse Week. "We are at a very important stage in horse racing and this gives the wider public an opportunity to see what we do," he said. "I am very keen to have the public see how these horses are looked after."

As well as Bowen signing brochures, Murphy will put on various demonstrations of the operation of a racing yard.

"It's important we can show goes on behind closed doors," Murphy added. "Please come along and see the love care and attention we give these horses."

3.00

SKY BET GREAT VOLTIGEUR STKS

(GROUP 2) (1) (3YO) 1m4f

Winner £151,699 (7 run) ITV/RTV

BON CHANCE
Pierre Bonnard is ready to fulfil the promise he showed as a two-year-old



START OF THE PIERRE SHOW

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3
1 PIERRE BONNARD
2 MALTESE CROSS
3 CHRISTMAS DAY

PIERRE BONNARD can win for the first time in 2026 and book his place in the line-up for next month's St Leger.

It was little surprise to see Camelot's son spend the winter as favourite for the Derby after landing the Group 3 Zetland Stakes at Newmarket and the Group 1 Critérium de Saint-Cloud.

His supporters' dreams of Epsom glory suffered a jolt when Pierre Bonnard could manage just seventh place behind his Aidan O'Brien stable-companion **Christmas Day** in the Group 3 Ballysax Stakes at

Leopardstown. And my selection suffered another reverse, albeit via a short-head second to James J Braddock, when the 5-6 hotpot for the same-level Derby Trial Stakes in Foxrock four weeks later.

A gamble into 7-2 for the Derby itself went astray as Pierre Bonnard came home in seventh behind **Christmas Day** – subsequent Group 1 Grand Prix de Paris winner **Maltese Cross** ran second – but a 10-length deficit was reduced to a neck when the pair filled the podium behind Ballydoyle's Benvenuto Cellini in the Irish version at the Curragh.

The market principals must each shoulder a 5lb penalty so the door is open for Pierre Bonnard to turn the tables, with Shane Foley's mount **Superior Choice** another to consider.

1	(4)	1-1312 CHRISTMAS DAY (52) (D) (F)	A P O'Brien (IRE) 9-7	R L Moore 121 FM
		4-1 (9-2) Tracked leader in 2nd, headed 11/2f out, kept on same pace in 2nd final furlong, 2nd of 8, 1/4 behind Benvenuto Cellini (9-2) at Curragh 1m 4f 3yo Grp 1 (1) gd in Jun		
2	(6)	1-1121 MALTESE CROSS (36) (D) (SF)	W Haggas 9-7	T Marquand 119 GS
		11-4 (9-2) Won at ParisLongchamp (FR) 1m 4f 3yo Grp 1 qs in Jul beating Ancient Egypt (9-2) by hd, 7 ran		
3	(3)	0-4410 ANTIGUA (52)	A P O'Brien (IRE) 9-2	R P Whelan 98 G
		11-2 (9-5) Tracked leaders, ridden in 6th 2f out, weakened, 12th of 16, 9l behind King Of Earth (9-1) at Curragh 1m 1f prem hcp gd in Jun		
4	(1)	4162 GALIYAN (41) (D)	A Balding 9-2	O Murphy 116 G
		3-1 (9-3) Wore hood to start, ridden to chase winner final furlong, no extra towards finish, 2nd of 5, 1/4 behind Point Of Law (9-3) at Newmarket 1m 5f 3yo Grp 3 (1) gf		
5	(2)	1-7273 PIERRE BONNARD (52)	A P O'Brien (IRE) 9-2	W M Lordan 126 FM
		9-1 (9-2) Tracked leaders, 3rd 11/2f out, kept on same pace in 3rd final furlong, 3rd of 8, 2l behind Benvenuto Cellini (9-2) at Curragh 1m 4f 3yo Grp 1 (1) gd in Jun		
6	(5)	4-111 SUPERIOR CHOICE (33)	J & T Gosden 9-2	S Foley 114 GF
		11-10fav (9-7) Held up in touch, shaken up over 1f out, led 1f out, ran on well, won at Hamilton 1m 3f 3yo 1st stk (1) gf in Jul beating Prizeland (9-2) by 1/4, 6 ran		

BETTING: 7-4 Maltese Cross, 5-2 Christmas Day, 3 Pierre Bonnard, 6 Superior Choice, 12 Galiyan, 100 Antigua.
2025: PRIDE OF ARRAS 9 5, Rossa Ryan 12-1 (R Beckett), drawn (4), 7 ran.

LONGEST TRAVELLER
By road, trainer Ralph Beckett sends **ALEATRIX** (2.38) on a 314-mile trip to Carlisle from his yard at Andover, Hampshire.

SPOTFORM GOINGS
Heavy - H; Soft - S; Good to soft - GS; Good - G; Good to firm - GF; Firm - FM; Hard - HD; Yielding - Y; Yielding to soft - YS.
A-W: Standard - ST; Slow - SL; Standard to fast - SF; Standard to slow - SS



THREAT Maltese Cross



CONTENDER Shane Foley



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TOUGH TASK Pride Of Arras

3.35 JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL

THIS race has enjoyed a relatively even split of winners in terms of age, but it has nearly always been dominated by those towards the top of the betting. Five of the past six favourites have won, while 50-1 outsider Arabian Queen (2015, below) is the only double-figure-priced winner this century.

All but two winners over the same period had already won at least four times, which counts against **Pride Of Arras**, but not against his City Of York Stakes conqueror, **Item**, who is unbeaten in two starts at the track. However, that isn't essential as just three of the past 14 winners had a course win to their name.

This is a hard race to defend (Halling in 1996 was the last), but many winners often head off to stud, so that's a little misleading.

Last year's barnstorming winner **Ombudsman** looked imperious when winning at Royal Ascot recently, and the highest-rated flat racehorse in Europe should prove a class above main market rival **Constitution River**.

Selection: **OMBUDSMAN**

3.00 GREAT VOLTIGEUR STAKES

DERBY runner-up **Maltese Cross** heads the market, but contenders that were beaten in the Irish equivalent have often bounced back here, with five of the past 12 winners having run at the Curragh, with four suffering defeat.

That is a postive for **CHRISTMAS DAY** who was nearly three lengths ahead of Maltese Cross at Epsom and ran equally well on the figures when second to Benvenuto Cellini in the Irish Derby. The rain that has finally arrived this week will suit, and he is the pick of Ryan Moore – take the hint.

Selection: **CHRISTMAS DAY**.

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LOCAL HEROES TAKE FIVE



MICHAEL DODS



ARAPAHO GOLD

Gimcrack Stakes

Friday (3.00)

UNBEATEN juvenile followed two victories at Thirsk – was withdrawn when unruly in the stalls at Beverley in between – with defeat of next-time-out scorer Nabati in Listed Rose Bowl Stakes at Newbury last time, bumped by an opponent after a furlong but running on strongly for Connor Beasley to score by a neck.

DODS SAYS: Hugo Palmer's horse [Adaay Of Scarlett] has been second in three Group 2 races and Aidan O'Brien's Marco Polo has only had

one run, but we do know that ours is a nice horse too.

At this stage of his career, he's as good a horse as we've had.

The likes of Mecca's Angel, Mabs Cross and Commanche Falls all went and did it later on, but he's a big, lengthy, big-striding horse who is exciting – and he'd be improving with a winter on his back.

Connor rode him on Saturday and he's in good form. He deserves to be in the race.

He's had difficulties at the start as we saw at Beverley, but Craig Withford has done a lot of work with him and he will be on hand at York.

PRIMED FOR GLORY

Night Raider missed out at Goodwood but Karl Burke expects 'a big race' from him on Friday

NIGHT



ED BETHELL



PABORUS

City Of York Stakes Saturday (3.00)

LIMITED to eight career starts but five-year-old has won five of them, returning from 364-day absence to lift Group 3 Chipchase Stakes over six furlongs at Newcastle at the end of June, keeping on strongly to beat Marvelman by a length and a half.

BETHELL SAYS: I've managed him, for sure – I've had to manage him – but he's got very patient owners and he's a very talented horse who was impressive in the Chipchase, which is form that has worked out.

Running in the City Of York is not going to be straightforward with the likes of Notable Speech there but we come in as quite an unexposed horse and I think seven furlongs on a fast track like York could see him in a better light.

I think he'll come on bundles from Newcastle and he's a horse that makes fast look slow as he's got a huge stride length.

He does like cut in the ground – he's got big, big feet – but hopefully we'll get our ground this weekend and, through natural improvement, he should be there.



TIM EASTERBY



REVIVAL P

Thoroughbred M

SISTER to 2021 Nunthorpe winner, she landed three of her six wins including the Listed Jockey Stakes and distance and the Doncaster.

However, she was beaten in finishing 11th of 13, either side of starting this season.

EASTERBY SAYS: she's at her best and she's properly in the spring.

It's what she was like in the last run was actually whacked her head on the ground and [jockey] Jimmy [Dunn] choked out a little bit.

She's a natural runner – and I think she's with the mark so we're hoping



THERE are 28 prizes up for grabs at the Ebor Festival – and Yorkshire trainers don't want to trade in the export market. **DAVID YATES** seeks out the best chances of a 'home' win

 KARL BURKE



NIGHT RAIDER
Nunthorpe Stakes
Friday (3.35)
SUCCESSFUL in Group company at Newmarket (G3 Palace House Stakes) and Haydock Park (G2 Temple Stakes) before defeats in the Group 1 King's Stand Stakes at Royal Ascot and Group 2 King George Stakes at Glorious Goodwood, being poorly drawn on the former occasion before missing the break on the latter.

BURKE SAYS: He missed the kick at Goodwood and it never happened for him but he's in great shape, we've done some stalls work with him

and if he jumps cleanly, I think he'll run a big race.

WILD BLOSSOM
Lowther Stakes
Thursday (1.50)
THE 10-length Carlisle debut winner was undone by the draw in the Group 2 Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot before returning to winning form under James Doyle in the five-furlong Alice Keppel Fillies' Conditions Stakes at Goodwood last time.

BURKE SAYS: She ran a lot better than her finishing position at Ascot and she won very well at Goodwood.

James thought the step up in trip would be no problem.

 DAVID O'MEARA



TOCA MADERA
HKJC World Pool Handicap *Today (1.50)*
HAS won of his eight outings since leaving Brian Meehan for the Upper Helmsley yard in North Yorkshire.

The five-year-old followed a fourth to Twilight Calls in the Shakers Handicap at Glorious Goodwood with a fifth to Evening Saigon in the Stewards' Cup at the same fixture four days later, repeatedly denied a run from the two-furlong marker under Saffie Osborne before running on strongly, despite being struck on the nose by a rival's whip in the closing stages.

O'MEARA SAYS: I thought he ran very well in the Stewards' Cup – he got in a little bit of traffic but then he fired home and finished fourth.

Saffie got caught behind a couple that had made the running against the near rail and then had to wait for the gap to open up before she got going but, when she did, she came home really well and he was only beaten a length and a quarter.

That sort of thing can happen at Goodwood – it can happen anywhere – but I'm looking forward to seeing him on the first day of the meeting and he's got a good draw in stall four.

POWER
Marketing Handicap *Today (4.45)*
Nunthorpe Stakes heroine Winter Power, she has won six races as a two-year-old in 2025, including the Julia Graves Roses Stakes over course and the Group 2 Flying Childers Stakes at Newmarket.

She has a couple of windows when she was a two-year-old but it was hard to get her to come to herself in the early summer.

She last year – I struggled to get her to come to herself in the spring but she's in good form again, and she's had a really quite a good run because she was in the front of the stalls when she came out [Sullivan] said she was running with the winner – she could gallop from the word 'go' over the short striking distance of her handicap, and she's in good form for a good run.

BINNERS & LOSERS



Paul Binfield with the latest betting trends from the trading room

PADDYPOWER.

CHRISTMAS CHEER EARLY FOR PUNTERS



GIFT WRAPPED
Christmas Day looks a good bet in the Voltigeur

OMBUDSMAN (6-5) made top-class horses look like statues when scooping the Prince Of Wales's Stakes at Royal Ascot, and the Juddmonte International (3.35) favourite has easily been the best supported horse.

Leading pilot Ryan Moore (right) reportedly told champion Irish trainer Aidan O'Brien that rival **CONSTITUTION RIVER** might be the best horse he's ever ridden after his Coral-Eclipse win at Sandown last month, but he'll need to be if the money for Ombudsman is anything to go by.

CHRISTMAS DAY (11-4) can deliver the presents in the Leger trial, the Great Voltigeur Stakes (3.00), with the Derby hero proving popular despite a subsequent reversal in the Irish Derby. He stayed on well over the last half furlong up the Curragh hill and today's easier track should play to his strengths.

Another O'Brien potential star, **HAFFNER** (6-4), is probably the best-backed horse of the day in the Acomb Stakes (2.25), having found just Dr Rascal too powerful in a better class contest at Glorious Goodwood last month.

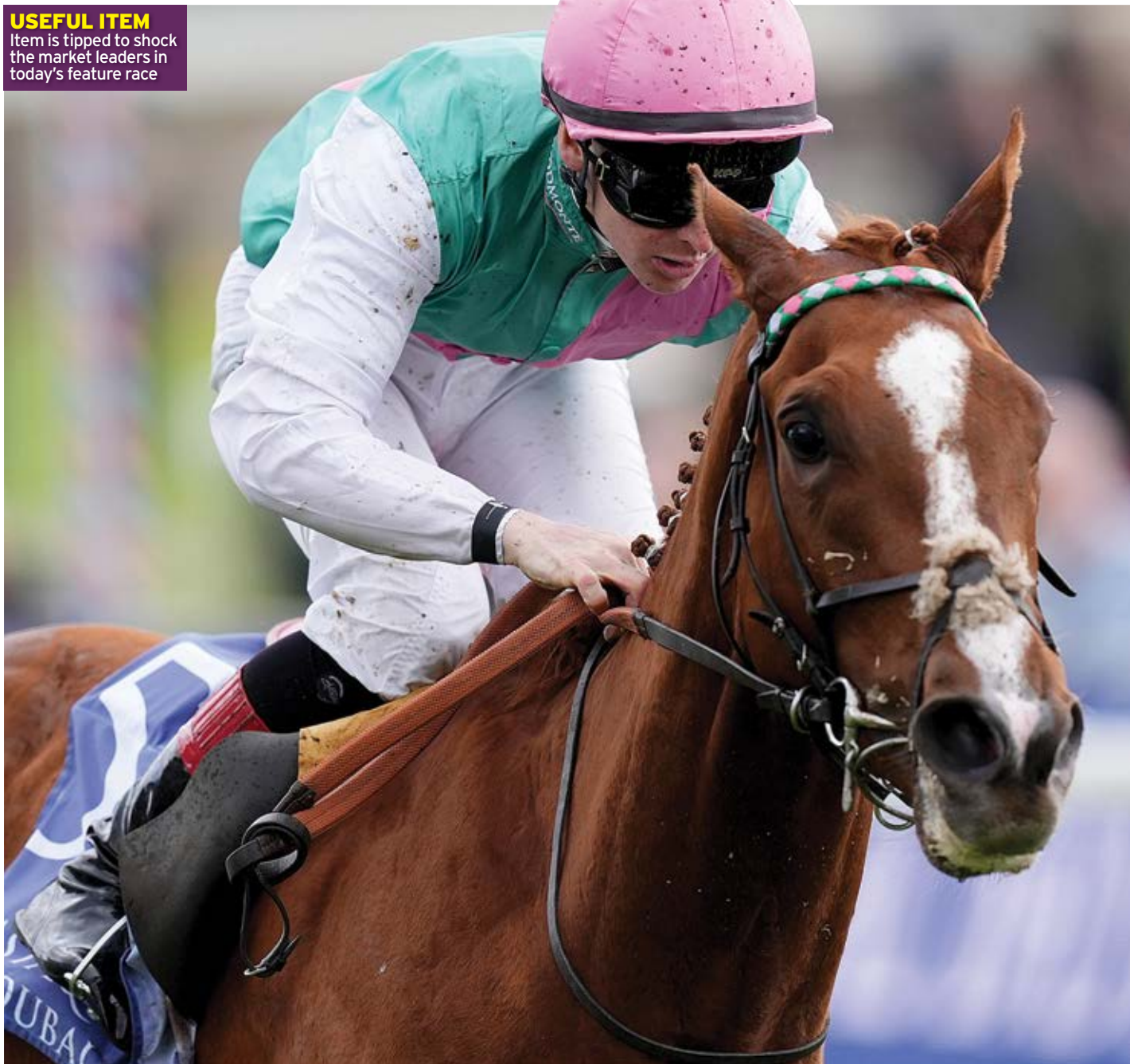
The Justify colt only went down by half a length on the Sussex Downs and that can probably be upgraded as he didn't enjoy the clearest of passages.

In the opener (1.50), **THE MAN** (11-2) has more than halved in price despite a couple of duck eggs next to his name. He went down by a fag paper in this race off a higher handicap mark last year.

3.35 JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL STAKES

(GROUP 1) (3YO+) 1m2f Winner £850,650 (9 run) **ITV/RTV**

USEFUL ITEM
Item is tipped to shock the market leaders in today's feature race



WORTHY ITEM AT TOP OF AGENDA

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3 1 ITEM 2 OMBUDSMAN 3 CONSTITUTION RIVER

ITEM is well capable of playing the role of disruptor in a race billed as a showdown between **Ombudsman** and **Constitution River**.

A two-year-old campaign that yielded victories in a maiden at Kempton and a novice stakes at Bath in September – heavy ground saw Item scratched from the Group 1 Futurity Trophy at Doncaster – promised much for the Andrew Balding trainee's Classic season.

It seemed only right that Balding gave Frankel's son his comeback in the Group 2 Dante Stakes over today's course and distance.

And connections had little choice but to roll the Derby dice when Colin Keane's mount galloped to

a two-and-three-quarter-length winning margin.

When it came to the big day, the weather gods refused to play ball – torrential rain turned the going to 'soft' – and Item's chances sank in the Epsom mud with a ninth-of-14 finish behind Dante third Christmas Day.

But the return to quicker terrain for the Group 2 York Stakes saw Item rediscover his mojo.

Carrying a 3lb penalty as a result of his Dante win, the three-year-old humbled his four senior rivals, strong at the finish to hold Pride Of Arras by nearly three lengths.

The way the closing stages unfolded – Item was caught flat-footed before asserting – suggests a stern gallop set by defending champion Ombudsman's pacesetter **Devil's Advocate** will help Item.

Another personal best will be required – the big two have won six Group 1 prizes between them – but my selection surely has a good deal more to give.



HOPEFUL Andrew Balding

- 1** (4) **233-14 ALMAQAM** (63) (D) (EW)
E Walker 5 9-8 **K Shoemark** 125 GF
7-1 (9-2) Slowly away and pushed along leaving stalls, midfield, ridden 2f out, no extra final furlong, 4th of 8, 8l behind Ombudsman (9-2) at Royal Ascot 1m 2f Grp 1 (1) qf
- 2** (6) **17-247 DEVIL'S ADVOCATE** (63) (D)
J & T Gosden 4 9-8 **R Havlin** 113 G
66-1 (9-2) Raced in second, led over 3f out, headed over 1f out, soon weakened quickly, 7th of 8, 22l behind Ombudsman (9-2) at Royal Ascot 1m 2f Grp 1 (1) qf in Jun
- 3** (1) **12-111 OMBUDSMAN** (63) (CD) (SF)
J & T Gosden 5 9-8 **W Buick** 133 GF
11-10fav (9-2) Held up towards rear, edged right inside furlong, ran on strongly, impressive, won at Royal Ascot 1m 2f Grp 1 (1) qf in Jun beating Minnie Hauk (8-13) by 4l
- 4** (5) **014-82 PRIDE OF ARRAS** (25) (CD)
R Beckett 4 9-8 **Rossa Ryan** 117 G
9-1 (9-8) Led, edged right 2f out, headed over 1f out, no impression on winner final 110 yards, kept on, 2nd of 5, 2¾l behind Item (9-2) at York 1m 2f Grp 2 (1) qf in Jul
- 5** (9) **111-11 ZAYDANN** (28) (D)
F Graffard (FR) 4 9-8 **M Barzalona** 116 S
4-9fav (9-2) Won at Vichy (FR) 1m 2f Grp 3 sft in Jul beating Woodchuck (9-4) by ½l, 5 ran

- 6** (8) **-42076 ACTION** (25)
A P O'Brien (IRE) 3 9-1 **R P Whelan** 112 S
125-1 (8-12) Pushed along early and led, headed 3f out, weakened over 2f out, 6th of 9, 14l behind Kalpana (9-6) at Ascot 1m 4f Grp 1 (1) qf in Jul
- 7** (7) **11-111 CONSTITUTION RIVER** (46) (D) (F)
A P O'Brien (IRE) 3 9-1 **R L Moore** 127 GF
8-11fav (8-13) Midfield, headway 2f out, led and went clear over 1f out, kept on well, won at Sandown 1m 2f Grp 1 (1) qf in Jul beating A Boy Named Susie (8-13) by 3l, 7 ran
- 8** (3) **11-123 HAWK MOUNTAIN** (46)
A P O'Brien (IRE) 3 9-1 **W M Lordan** 121 GF
11-1 (8-13) Prominent, outpaced by winner, lost second entering final furlong, kept on same pace, 3rd of 7, 3½l behind Constitution River (8-13) at Sandown 1m 2f Grp 1 (1) qf
- 9** (2) **11-191 ITEM** (25) (CD)
A Balding 3 9-1 **C T Keane** 122 G
3-1 (9-2) Chased leader until over 4f out, led over 1f out, clear final 110 yards, stayed on well, won at York 1m 2f Grp 2 (1) qf in Jul beating Pride Of Arras (9-8) by 2¾l, 5 ran
- BETTING: Evens Ombudsman, 7-4 Constitution River, 7 Item, 14 Hawk Mountain, 20 Almaqam, 25 Zaydann, 33 Pride Of Arras, 150 Action, Devil's Advocate.
2025: OMBUDSMAN 4 9 8, William Buick 7-4 Fav (J & T Gosden), drawn (5), 6 ran.

NINE COULD HAVE RIVALS' NUMBER



EACH-WAY HOPE Revival Power

BY **BRYAN WALKER**

IN the opener at this year's York Ebor festival, look up for some inspiration with **STRATUSNINE** in the Hong Kong Jockey Club World Pool Handicap (1.50).

Hugo Palmer's four-year-old continues to run with credit, finishing an eye-catching second in the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood last time out.

The son of Far Above also boasts a win and three seconds to his name at York and even though he is off a lofty mark of

WINNER MACHINE

104, he at least looks guaranteed to run well.

The Sky Bet Great Voltigeur Stakes sees a rematch from the first two in the Derby with Christmas Day and Maltese Cross clashing again, but both have to shoulder a 5lb penalty.

With that in mind, this might be the day that Christmas Day's Aidan O'Brien stablemate **PIERRE BONNARD** delivers

on the rich promise he showed last year.

All the paddock watchers were in awe when he turned up at Newmarket last autumn for the Zetland Stakes, which he duly won.

And he went on to follow up in Group One company in France, beating A Boy Named Susie by two lengths in the Criterium de Saint-Cloud, form

the runner-up has continually franked this season.

Although he only finished midfield in the Derby at Epsom, he then ran stablemate Benvenuto Cellini to two lengths in the Irish Derby and might just be coming to the boil.

For a long-price each-way punt, have a couple of pennies on **REVIVAL POWER** in the Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Handicap (4.45).

Tim Easterby's sprinter was a three-time winner over five furlongs at two, including

making all in a course-and-distance Listed race and the Flying Childers at Doncaster.

Although he is set to fire in three runs this season, a return to the Knavesmire might just unlock last year's promise, and the jockey booking of Colin Keane is a big plus too.

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Stratusnine
1.50 York
Pierre Bonnard
3.00 York
Revival Power (e/w)
3.00 York



FEELING CONFIDENT
Bacio's trainer Wesley Ward

A tricky task for Bacio

BY DAVID YATES
WESLEY WARD admits Nunthorpe Stakes 3-1 favourite Bacio is "going in deep and swimming against the best" when he moves from handicap to Group 1 company at York on Friday.

The three-year-old colt (below) has been at the front of the betting for the Coolmore-sponsored five-furlong test since he galloped to a three-and-three-quarter supremacy in the Palace Of Holyroodhouse Handicap at Royal Ascot in June.

But Ward, previously a Nunthorpe Stakes runner-up with Acapulco in 2015 and Lady Aurelia, said: "I've had horses who have been proven in Group races before the Nunthorpe – this guy is going in deep and swimming against the best.

"But he's a horse that can go quick and he will keep going – no doubt about that. "He will roll along and he's got a high-cruising speed, so I think York will really suit his way of going."

Rain is forecast for the Knivesmire this week and Ward acknowledges that softer ground would present an unknown for the mount of Juan Hernandez.

"That's something we don't know about," added the American. "It was never a problem for Lady Aurelia – she won the Queen Mary easily on soft ground – and this horse has the sort of foot, the sort of action, that makes me think he'll be okay."

4.10 SKY BET STAYERS HANDICAP (HERITAGE H'CAP) (2) (3YO+) 2m Winner £51,540 (17 run) ITV/RTV

ENTER INTO TEAM SPIRIT



DREAM TEAM
Team Player (centre) is ready to continue on an upward trajectory

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3 1 TEAM PLAYER 2 SMALL FRY 3 SHRIMP SHADY

TEAM PLAYER is expected to give another good account of himself.

A two-time winner in the care of Gemma Tutty, the gelded son of Without Parole joined Ewan Whillans during the winter

and began his time with the Hawick-based trainer with a victory in a two-mile handicap at Newcastle in February.

Whillans then took aim at the valuable Queen's Cup at Musselburgh in April and Team Player netted the £25,770 first prize with a length-and-three-quarter beating of Dancingwithmyself.

The winning run came to an end in the Chester

Cup but Greg Fairley's partner came home with gusto to finish fifth to A Piece Of Heaven, and a funeral cortège worked against Team Player, fitted with cheekpieces and a tongue strap, when he finished ninth of 20 behind Align The Stars in the Northumberland Plate at Newcastle.

But the four-year-old showed his true colours at Newbury last time out,

going under by a nose to Shrimp Shady, and a 2lb nudge up the weights should not be enough to stop this likeable stayer from showing to the fore here.

Shrimp Shady, second at the Shergar Cup 11 days ago, should be on the scene once again.

Others to consider are Newbury third Ride The Thunder and favourite Small Fry.

- 1 (16) -15760 DUKE OF OXFORD (19) (D)
M Bell 6 9-12 H Crouch 101 SF
40-1 (9-11) Wore hood to post, always behind, last of 15, well behind Defiantly (9-7) at Goodwood 2m 5f hcp 105 (2) qf in Jul
- 2 (9) 682157 PRYDWEN (53) (D)
G Scott 8 9-12 D Tudhope 104 YS
33-1 (9-12) Wore hood to post, stayed on one pace and no impression inside final furlong, 7th of 20, 5f behind Align The Stars (9-6) at Newcastle 2m hcp (2) in Jun
- 3 (5) 4-7521 KIRCHNER (26) (D) (F)
James Owen 4 9-7 R L Moore 103 G
11-4 (9-5) Raced in second, travelled strongly into lead, pushed clear final furlong, eased near finish, won at Ascot 2m hcp 0-90 (3) qf in Jul beating Ghaliyya (9-4) by 4f
- 4 (10) 199-62 SMALL FRY (18) (SF)
J P O'Brien (IRE) 5 9-6 D Browne McMonagle 104 GF
6-1 (8-13) Front rank, ridden and headway over 1f out, went second inside final furlong, not reach winner, 2nd of 13, 3/4 behind Hopewell Rock (9-8) at Goodwood 1m 6f hcp (2) qf
- 5 (4) -26115 VALEDICTORY (18) (BF)
J & T Gosden 4 9-5 W Buick 105 GF
5-2fav (9-2) Wore hood to post, placed on inside final furlong, never going pace to challenge, 5th of 13, 6f behind Hopewell Rock (9-8) at Goodwood 1m 6f hcp (2) qf
- 6 (15) 20-130 MORDOR (64)
G Elliott (IRE) 6 9-4 J P Spencer 99 H
33-1 (9-6) Towards rear of mid-division, bumped rival over 2f out, soon no impression, 15th of 20, 15f behind Kizlyar (9-3) at Royal Ascot 2m 4f Lincoln hcp (2) qf in Jun
- 7 (14) -11592 TEAM PLAYER (32) (D)
Ewan Whillans 4 9-4 G Fairley 106 GF
5-1 (9-8) Held up in touch, stayed on strongly final furlong, pressed winner near finish, lost on the nod, 2nd of 7, ns behind Shrimp Shady (9-3) at Newbury 2m hcp (2) qf
- 8 (12) 21003- MANXMAN (351) (D)
S & E Crisford 6 9-3 James Doyle 109 S
2-1 (9-11) Chased leaders, stayed on, went 3rd towards finish, just failed to get 2nd, 3rd of 6, 1/4 behind Novelista (8-3) at Goodwood 2m hcp 0-100 (2) hvy in Sep
- 9 (7) 47-101 IN THE BREEZE (73) (D)
Miss H Knight 8 9-3 C T Keane 103 GS
11-2 (9-8) Wore hood to post, led over 1f out, went clear final furlong, eased near finish, won at Goodwood 2m hcp 0-90 (3) sft in Jun beating Maxident (9-3) by 5f
- 10 (11) 8-0371 BOATSWAIN (45) (D)
S & E Crisford 4 9-2 C Rodriguez 110 SF
6-5fav (9-7) Raced in third, led going best over 3f out, soon went clear, easily, won at Southwell 2m hcp (0-90) (3) in Jul beating New York Minute (9-4) by 13f, 5 ran
- 11 (1) -07100 WESTMINSTER MOON (23)
A J Martin (IRE) 6 9-1 R Colgan 102 S
12-1 (11-10) Tracked leaders, ridden and dropped to 10th 2f out, weakened, 13th of 20, 16f behind Comfort Zone (11-9) at Galway 2m 1f amat hcp in Jul
- 12 (3) 121612 SHRIMP SHADY (11) (BF, D)
A Balding 4 9-1 R Hornby 104 G
11-10fav (9-6) Wore red hood to post, led narrowly over 1f out, kept on, headed closing stages, 2nd of 10, 1f behind Dancing In Paris (9-6) at Ascot 2m hcp 0-100 (2) qf
- 13 (6) 2-7359 KILMEADEN (11)
Faye Bramley 4 9-0 C Lee 103 H
16-1 (9-7) Rear mid-division, ran on, not much room closing stages, never on terms, 9th of 10, 4/4 behind Dancing In Paris (9-6) at Ascot 2m hcp 0-100 (2) qf
- 14 (13) 124862 GHAIYYA (26)
C Johnston 4 9-0 Rossa Ryan 107 GF
6-1 (9-4) Led, headed approaching final furlong, kept on but no chance with easy winner, 2nd of 4, 4f behind Kirchner (9-5) at Ascot 2m hcp 0-90 (3) qf in Jul
- 15 (2) 0-4423 FIREBLADE (26) (BF, D)
D Cunha 5 8-13 K Shoemark 106 GF
7-4fav (9-4) Raced in third, lost third, required moderate third final furlong, no telling impression, 3rd of 4, 8f behind Kirchner (9-5) at Ascot 2m hcp 0-90 (3) qf in Jul
- 16 (17) 42-363 RIDE THE THUNDER (32) (BF)
R Varian 4 8-13 R Dawson 108 GF
13-8fav (9-5) Went early to post, headed over 1f out, kept on final furlong, held near finish, 3rd of 7, 1/4 behind Shrimp Shady (9-3) at Newbury 2m hcp (2) qf in Jul
- 17 (8) /43513 MOUNTAIN ROAD (11) (D) (EW)
J Goldie 7 8-12 Lauren Young (5) 103 GF
10-1 (9-3) Wore red hood to post, pushed along, ran on well final furlong, nearest finish, 3rd of 10, 1/4 behind Dancing In Paris (9-6) at Ascot 2m hcp 0-100 (2) qf

BETTING: 3 Small Fry, 5 Kirchner, 6 Valedictory, 8 Shrimp Shady, Ride The Thunder, 10 Team Player, 14 Mountain Road, 16 Boatswain.
2025: SANTORINI STAR 4 9 6, Tom Marquand 10-3 Fav (W Haggas), drawn (10), 13 ran.

TODAY'S FAB 4 TIPS

NORTHERNER'S NAP YELLOW DIAMONDS (4.55 Carlisle) TOPSPOT PIERRE BONNARD (3.00 York)	NEWMARKET'S BEST OMBUDSMAN (3.35 York) SPEEDHORSE VICTORY ACE (7.30 Kempton)
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CARLISLE - CA KEMPTON - KM WORCESTER - WO YORK - YO	Black Star Boy 4.45 YO Blairtum Night 3.13 CA Blue Topaz 6.03 WO Blufferonthus 5.30 CA Boatswain 4.10 YO Boskill Borden 7.38 WO Boston Dan 4.45 YO Bound For Glory 7.38 WO Brandenburg 5.20 YO Breakdancer 7.30 KM Bright Legend 6.38 WO Brooklyn Lullaby 7.38 WO Cadillac Ranch 6.38 WO Call Margot 4.45 YO Candy 1.50 YO Captain Corelli 5.30 CA Captain Fox 8.00 KM Carrow Road 6.30 KM Castro Nero 8.30 KM Chilli 5.58 KM Christmas Day 3.00 YO Cinodin 8.08 WO Clash Of Hearts 2.25 YO Commander Of Life 4.20 CA Confucius 2.25 YO Constitution River 3.35 YO Corolla Point 1.50 YO Cosmic Spirit 7.38 WO Could Be You 7.08 WO Count Palatine 4.20 CA Crafty Gael 7.38 WO Crystal Queen 5.20 YO Danrana 3.48 CA Dapper Valley 1.50 YO Dark Thirty 1.50 YO Darn Hot Gallop 7.30 KM Datsthehollyloft 6.03 WO	Definite Dream 5.33 WO Delgany Headline 6.38 WO Devil's Advocate 3.35 YO Dexter 5.33 WO Diamond New Bay 2.05 CA Distinct Spirit 8.00 KM Do Wah Diddy 6.03 WO Dolos Dream 4.45 YO Double Eagle 8.00 KM Dream Forever 4.55 CA Dream Of Albion 7.08 WO Dream On Kent 5.25 KM Dreaming Of The Dr 6.03 WO Dubai Bling 1.50 YO Dubai Champion 5.20 YO Duke Of Oxford 4.10 YO Dynamite Defense 7.08 WO Eduardo Calderon 9.00 KM Elan D'or 8.00 KM Elated 6.03 WO Elevating 5.20 YO Ephron 5.30 CA Erosandpsyche 1.50 YO Eshove 7.00 KM Exposure 6.03 WO Evolve 8.00 KM Fantasy Force 5.20 YO Farish Echo 8.08 WO Fate's Gambit 3.13 CA Feel'n Free 7.00 KM Fight Your Corner 8.00 KM Final Entry 8.08 WO Fireblade 4.10 YO Fiskardo 8.08 WO Fuel The Jet 2.25 YO G'Emmethegreenliti 9.00 KM Galiyan 3.00 YO	Generous Rascal 9.00 KM Gentle Hurricane 2.25 YO Getaway Jewel 5.33 WO Ghaliyya 4.10 YO Ghost Jury 7.38 WO Give Hand 6.30 KM God Given Talent 5.20 YO Gold Hill 7.00 KM Gold Star Hero 1.50 YO Golden Strike 4.20 CA Gone In Sixty 7.08 WO Graniteville 5.25 KM Green Area 2.00 KM Greer Hill 5.33 WO Guadalevin 2.05 CA Haffner 2.25 YO Handmedownstar 6.38 WO Hares Breth 4.55 CA Harrys Hope 5.02 WO Havana Court 5.58 KM Havana Prince 4.20 CA Haw Mountain 5.20 YO Heathers Feather 3.35 YO Henley On Thames 4.55 CA Hercules 8.30 KM Hey Havana 3.48 CA Hiero Sport 5.33 WO Hoshi 6.30 KM Hostility 5.30 CA Hunky Dory 4.20 CA Imcelestiaight 7.08 WO Ikigai Star 8.08 WO In The Breeze 4.10 YO Ioloas Du Mou 5.33 WO Item 3.35 YO	Jumeirah Storm 5.20 YO Keep An Eye On It 5.30 CA Kenzo Des Bruyeres 5.33 WO Kilmeaden 8.08 WO Kilmeaden 4.55 CA King Of Fury 4.20 CA King Roly 5.02 WO Kirchner 4.10 YO Kochella 5.58 KM Lady Bee Great 6.03 WO Lady Nemaz 6.30 KM Lake Como 7.30 KM Lazy In Red 2.38 CA Lexington Blitz 1.50 YO Liberate 7.00 KM Liberty's Hall 6.30 KM Likewitahousee 6.38 WO Lili Marleen 7.30 KM Long Shot 3.13 CA Lord Bertie 4.20 CA Lord Capulet 4.20 CA Lucky Camino 7.30 KM Lucky In Taiwan 7.08 WO Lucy The Wire 7.00 KM Luzon Heights 8.00 KM Ma Blushin Rosie 2.05 CA Malachi's Wish 3.48 CA Maltese Cross 3.00 YO Manatee Mehmas 4.45 YO Mancero 8.08 WO Manzman 4.10 YO Matilda Maid 6.03 WO Maximum Velocity 4.55 CA Merry 5.25 KM Midnight Jewel 7.08 WO Mighty Magnus 4.45 YO	Miss Yechance 4.45 YO Mistral Blue 8.08 WO Misunderstood 4.20 CA Mordor 4.10 YO Mountain Road 5.33 WO Mr Professor 7.30 KM Mrs Biddle 7.08 WO Mrs Whinnny 5.02 WO Muskerry Rock 4.45 YO Naana's Shadow 1.50 YO Naana's Sparkle 1.50 YO Nala The Lioness 6.03 WO Native Instinct 4.20 CA Newbrook Diamond 6.38 WO Night Wolf 7.30 KM No More Pino 5.58 KM Northwest Tempest 4.55 CA Not Now 6.38 WO Note To Self 5.20 YO Oasis Cover 4.55 CA Obsidian Verse 9.00 KM October Hill 8.08 WO Oh So Slow Sloth 2.05 CA Old Is Gold 4.45 YO Ombudsman 3.35 YO One And Gone 4.45 YO Onehundredeighty 7.38 WO Oneinthewell 6.38 WO Our Nicola 3.48 CA Palamon 5.02 WO Palliser 5.25 KM Peace Belle 2.38 CA Peaceful Warrior 5.20 YO Pearl Knot 6.03 WO Percy's Lad 7.30 KM Perfect Heir 6.30 KM	Perfect Hope 5.58 KM Persian Spring 5.20 YO Phantom Gold 6.38 WO Piazza 9.00 KM Pierre Bonnard 3.00 YO Port Air 4.45 YO Port Erin 8.30 KM Port Road 8.30 KM Pride Of Arras 3.35 YO Princess Nyla 5.30 CA Printing Money 5.58 KM Prydwen 4.10 YO Quiet Summer 7.00 KM Racingbreaks Ryder 8.00 KM Rajawal 3.13 CA Ravishing Beauty 5.30 CA Redbridge Rambler 8.08 WO Reenie's Dream 3.13 CA Renishine Legend 7.08 WO Station Bar 3.13 CA Stiletto 4.45 YO Ride The Thunder 4.10 YO River Nile 5.25 KM Rothsdown 5.20 YO Road To Wembley 6.38 WO Rogue Defence 8.30 KM Royal Rhythm 7.38 WO Royale Goodnight 8.30 KM Ruler's Pride 5.20 YO Rumminger 3.13 CA Sakowin 5.58 KM Santiago Boy 9.00 KM Sara's Silver Girl 2.05 CA Savage Mariner 5.20 YO Sayidab Bahra 2.05 CA Schrodinger's Cat 4.45 YO Shaddock 6.30 KM Shes Got A Brother 4.45 YO Shesonnet 6.38 WO	Shrimp Shady 4.10 YO Sims' Law 8.08 WO Siouxperb 2.25 YO Slack Bob 9.00 KM Small Fry 4.10 YO Smugglers Haven 5.02 WO Son 4.20 CA Sonic Angel 6.30 KM Sovereign Glory 5.20 YO Sparespenny 3.48 CA Sparkling Water 6.03 WO Spartan Arrow 1.50 YO Square D'albion 6.38 WO St Hilda 7.00 KM Stardom Glory 2.25 YO Stargazed 4.45 YO Starlight Time 8.00 KM Starshine Legend 7.08 WO Station Bar 9.00 KM Stiletto 4.45 YO Stonewell 3.48 CA Stormy Impact 1.50 YO Stratusline 1.50 YO Strong Voice 9.00 KM Stylich 6.30 KM Sue's Last Chance 5.20 YO Super Tuscan 5.20 YO Superior Choice 3.00 YO Supreme Dancer 3.48 CA Sweet Honey B 5.03 WO Tapo Mayo 3.48 CA Take The Boat 6.03 WO Talis Evolvere 8.30 KM Team Player 4.10 YO Ten Year Stretch 5.58 KM The Dancing Pirate 5.20 YO The Great Escape 8.08 WO The Kalonji Man 5.58 KM	The Man 1.50 YO Thunder Home 6.30 KM Tide Lines 7.00 KM Time To Climb 6.30 KM Toca Madera 1.50 YO Towelontheterrace 5.20 YO Toyotomi 1.50 YO Trean 2.25 YO Trefor 1.50 YO Tricky Tel 4.45 YO Turpin Gold 5.33 WO Uncle Zello 6.30 KM Underdog 5.20 YO Underwriter 4.45 YO Unionville 9.00 KM Uniter 3.48 CA Usyk 7.38 WO Valedictory 4.10 YO Vega King 2.25 YO Vince Lombardi 4.20 CA Vincenzo Bellini 5.25 KM Viviana 9.00 KM Warner's Cross 7.08 WO West Acce 1.50 YO Westender 7.00 KM Westminster Moon 4.10 YO Whinny Houston 6.03 WO White Crown Star 8.30 KM Why Because 3.13 CA Whitethornmeyes 5.25 KM Wreck It Ronnie 7.00 KM Yellow Diamonds 4.55 CA Yes Day 5.02 WO Zain Primus 4.45 YO Zaydan 3.35 YO Ziggy's Triton 1.50 YO Zous Juice 3.13 CA
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IRE INCENTIVE, IT PAYS TO BUY IRISH STAKES
(HERITAGE HANDICAP) (2) (3YO+ FILLIES) 5f Winner £51,540 (19 run) RTV

WRITER'S RISK-FREE

	1 (15) 131191 NAANA'S SHADOW (20) (CD) (SF) K Scott 9-9 O Murphy 107 GF 5-1fav (9-8) Raced centre, led inside final furlong, kept on well, readily, won at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf in Jul beating U S S Charleston (8-5) by 1¼, 18 ran
	2 (14) 3513-3 POATAN (67) G Scott 9-6 David Egan 102 GS 17-2 (9-4) Towards rear, ridden 1f out, ran on strongly inside final furlong, nearest finish, 3rd of 8, 1¼ behind Words Of Truth (9-9) at Sandown 5f 3yo 1st stks (1) qd in Jun
	3 (18) 15-700 REVIVAL POWER (39) (CD) T Easterby 9-2 CT Keane 105 G 50-1 (8-5) Went to post early, raced far side, led, pushed along well over 1f out, soon headed and faded, 11th of 13, 6l behind Redorange (9-1) at York 5f Listed stks (1) qf
	4 (11) 100263 BAKER BLUE (3) (D) D Cunha 9-1 C Rodriguez 108 GF 6-1 (9-7) Prominent, asked for effort over 1f out, kept on same pace, 3rd of 8, 1¼ behind Fluorescence (9-7) at Pontefract 5f hcp 105 (2) qf
	5 (9) 831265 SCHRODINGER'S CAT (20) (D) G Tuer 9-1 O Stammers 109 G 15-2 (9-9) Raced centre, no impression inside final furlong, faded towards finish, 5th of 18, 2¼ behind Naana's Shadow (9-8) at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf in Jul
	6 (13) 14834 MANATEE MEHMAS (20) (D) (F) D O'Meara 8-13 D Tudhope 107 GF 14-1 (9-7) Wore hood to post, hung right but ran on inside final furlong, nearest finish, 4th of 18, 2¼ behind Naana's Shadow (9-8) at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf in Jul
	7 (1) 18-160 BLACK STAR BOY (61) (D) E Walker 8-13 K Shoemark 105 G 28-1 (8-12) Wore hood to post, midfield, ridden 2f out, kept on same pace inside final furlong, 15th of 27, 10l behind Bacio (9-5) at Royal Ascot 5f 3yo hcp 0-105 (2) qf in Jun
	8 (7) 154273 MISS YECHANCE (20) (D) K R Burke 8-11 J Nicholls (3) 109 GS 17-2 (9-4) Wore hood to post, ridden inside final furlong, kept on same pace, 3rd of 18, 2l behind Naana's Shadow (9-8) at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf in Jul
	9 (19) -3102 TRICKY TEL (25) (D) H Palmer 8-10 J Hart 107 GF 10-1 (9-3) Led, pushed along inside final furlong, headed inside final 110yds, no extra towards finish, 2nd of 7, 1¼ behind Calico Blue (9-9) at Chester 6f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qd
	10 (2) 311 ZAIN PRIMUS (92) (D) J Butler 8-9 R Dawson 99 ST 5-4 (9-11) Tracked leaders, shaken up 2f out, ridden to lead over 1f out, kept on well, won at Newcastle 5f nov stks (4) in May beating Olla (9-4) by 1l, 6 ran

	11 (10) 5-2087 STARGAZED (25) (D) K R Burke 8-7 W Fentiman (3) 109 G 40-1 (9-2) Slowly away, always in rear, last of 7, 7l behind Calico Blue (9-9) at Chester 6f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qd in Jul
	12 (4) 401107 ONE AND GONE (3) (D) I Williams 8-6 K O'Neill 106 G 22-1 (8-9) Mounted in chute, wore hood and went early to post, midfield, pushed along 2f out, soon held, 7th of 8, 9l behind Fluorescence (9-7) at Pontefract 5f hcp 105 (2) qf
	13 (12) 830-60 OLD IS GOLD (20) (BF, D) A Balding 8-5 S Osborne 101 G 5-1fav (9-0) Mounted in chute, made brief headway 2f out, faded gradually from over 1f out, 10th of 18, 6l behind Naana's Shadow (9-8) at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf
	14 (5) 114350 SHES GOT A BROTHER (20) (D) (EW) M & D Easterby 8-5 Joanna Mason 112 G 11-1 (9-1) Wore hood to post, chased leaders, ridden along 2f out, weakened over 1f out, 16th of 18, 9l behind Naana's Shadow (9-8) at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf
	15 (3) 9-8004 UNDERWRITER (25) Michael Keady 8-5 L Morris 108 G 100-1 (8-6) Dwelt, soon denied clear run, switched left under 1f out and ran on strongly, never nearer, 4th of 13, 1¼ behind All Ways Glamorous (9-4) at Ascot 5f hcp (2) qf
	16 (8) 031535 MIGHTY MAGNUS (19) (D) M Dods 8-4 C Hardie 110 GF 9-2 (9-9) Wore hood to post, no extra inside final furlong, dropped to last near finish, last of 5, 4¼ behind Francisco's Piece (9-9) at Musselburgh 5f hcp 0-85 (4) qd in Jul
	17 (16) 13-152 DOLOS DREAM (26) (BF, D) I Furtado 8-2 S De Sousa 111 G 10-3fav (9-5) Led, challenged inside final furlong, headed narrowly towards finish, 2nd of 12, hd behind Explosive Finnish (9-1) at York 5f 3yo hcp 0-80 (4) qf in Jul
	18 (17) 900047 BOSTON DAN (16) (D) T Easterby 8-2 D Fentiman 103 G 12-1 (9-0) Mid-division, pushed along and weakened over 2f out, last of 7, 8l behind Lord Roxby (9-2) at Ripon 6f hcp 0-95 (3) qd
	19 (6) 217260 CALL MARGOT (20) (D) G Tutty 8-2 C Planas 105 G 12-1 (8-3) Took keen hold, raced centre, in touch, ridden along and weakened over 1f out, last of 18, 13l behind Naana's Shadow (9-8) at Goodwood 5f 3yo hcp 0-95 (3) qf

BETTING: 5 Naana's Shadow, 7 Zain Primus, 8 Miss Yechance, Schrodinger's Cat, Manatee Mehmas, 10 Old Is Gold, 12 Poatan, Dolos Dream.
2025: No corresponding race.

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3
1 UNDERWRITER
2 NAANA'S SHADOW
3 POATAN

UNDERWRITER deserves the chance to prove his last-time-out Ascot fourth was no flash in the pan.

A £200,000 breeze-buy buy last spring Underwriter went into training with Archie Watson and carried the Wathnan Racing livery to success in a maiden and novice stakes at Ayr.

But the son of Mehmas lost his way and when a gelding operation failed to improve things, Michael Keady swooped with 4,600 guineas in June.

His stable debut yielded an 11th-of-12 finish behind Twilight Calls at Newmarket's July Festival.

But those who backed



UNDER THE RADAR
Underwriter (in previous silks) surprised many in his latest run at Ascot

the three-year-old each-way at 100-1 for the five-furlong handicap on the King George VI And Queen Elizabeth Stakes undercard were unlucky not to collect on place part after being fourth of 13 to All Ways Glamorous.

He would have made the podium with a clear run

and Luke Morris's mount is expected to go well from an unchanged BHA rating of 84.

Naana's Shadow continues to go from strength to strength and heads the list of dangers, with **Manatee Mehmas** and **Poatan** others to merit a second glance.

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SKY BET NURSERY HANDICAP
(2) (2YO) 6f Winner £51,540 (22 run) RTV

THE SPRITE WAY AHEAD

NEWSBOY'S 1-2-3
1 HAVANA SPRITE
2 HENLEY ON THAMES
3 SOVEREIGN GLORY

IN FORM Havana Sprite for the Listed Empress Fillies' Stakes at Newmarket.

HAVANA SPRITE is on a roll – and isn't done yet.

On the back of in-the-frame runs at Newmarket and Yarmouth in May, the James Tate-trained daughter of Havana Grey made it third time lucky by beating four rivals in a Bath fillies' novice stakes the next month.

Twelve days later, Havana Sprite shared the spoils with Glorious Game when the pair dead-heated

company back at the July Course, leading at the furlong pole to hold Acclamation Star by half a length.

The handicapper couldn't get too carried away with that form and Havana Sprite competes from a British Horseracing Authority rating of 92 after a 4lb intervention.

But Hector Crouch's partner keeps coming up with personal bests and, with the upward curve unlikely to flatten out just yet, she is the selection to go in again.

In a field of lightly raced juveniles, **Henley On Thames**, **Ruler's Pride** and **Sovereign Glory** are just three others who can get involved.

	1 (8) 107 RULER'S PRIDE (21) K R Burke 9-9 James Doyle 91 GF 15-2 (9-3) Wore hood and earplugs to post, ridden over 2f out, kept on final furlong, no danger, 7th of 11, 5l behind Pershaada (9-0) at Goodwood 5f 2yo Grp 3 (1) qf in Jul
	2 (5) 42111 HAVANA SPRITE (18) (D) J Tate 9-8 H Crouch 92 GF 4-1 (9-4) Slowly away and held up in rear, ran on strongly and led inside final furlong, kept on, won at Newmarket 6f 2yo fill hcp (2) qf beating Acclamation Star (9-8) by 1¼
	3 (22) 210 CRYSTAL QUEEN (63) R & P Fahey 9-5 W Fentiman (3) 91 GF 50-1 (9-2) Wore hood to post, kept on inside final furlong, never involved, 13th of 27, 6l behind Victorious (9-2) at Royal Ascot 5f 2yo fill Grp 2 (1) qf in Jun
	4 (11) 106 GOD GIVEN TALENT (33) (D) W Haggas 9-5 T Marquand 91 G 20-1 (9-2) Bumped start, ridden and in touch with leaders 2f out, faded final 110yds, 6th of 10, 4¼ behind Arapaho Gold (9-2) at Newbury 6f 2yo 1st stks (1) qf in Jul
	5 (20) 4312 DUBAI CHAMPION (19) (SF) B Haslam 9-3 R L Moore 95 GF 4-1 (9-4) Slowly away, headway to lead final furlong, reduced advantage towards finish, headed post, 2nd of 18, shd behind Revels (9-6) at Goodwood 6f 2yo hcp (2) qf
	6 (14) 200 SAVAGE MARINER (22) H Palmer 9-3 CT Keane 94 GF 9-2 (9-2) Chased leaders, ridden 3f out, weakened 2f out, 11th of 15, 14l behind Agrippa (9-2) at Goodwood 6f mdn stks (2) qd in Jul
	7 (4) 5100 PERSIAN SPRING (19) (CD) R Hannon 9-2 P Dobbs 91 G 12-1 (9-9) Slowly away, ridden 2f out, some headway entering final furlong, no further impression, 10th of 18, 5l behind Revels (9-6) at Goodwood 6f 2yo hcp (2) qf in Jul
	8 (16) 3104 SOVEREIGN GLORY (19) C Hills 9-2 K Shoemark 94 GF 18-1 (9-5) Wore hood to post, lost position final furlong, rallied and went fourth inside final 110yds, 4th of 18, 1¼ behind Revels (9-6) at Goodwood 6f 2yo hcp (2) qf in Jul
	9 (17) 1050 UNDERDOG (33) R Spencer 9-1 S Osborne 93 G 50-1 (9-2) Took keen hold, lost position 3f out, ridden and weakened 2f out, last of 10, 13l behind Arapaho Gold (9-2) at Newbury 6f 2yo 1st stks (1) qf in Jul
	10 (9) 412 JUMEIRAH STORM (27) (D) (EW) W Knight 9-0 N Callan 97 G 6-4 (9-6) Midfield, ridden when headed inside final 110yds, weakened towards finish, 2nd of 5, ½ behind Shadow King (9-9) at Doncaster 6f 2yo hcp 0-85 (4) qf in Jul
	11 (12) 14 PEACEFUL WARRIOR (40) (D) K Ryan 9-0 J P Spencer 89 G 6-1 (9-10) Wore hood to start, outpaced by leading pair inside final furlong, lost third towards finish, 4th of 7, 8l behind Flann Sunna (9-8) at Ascot 6f 2yo stks (3) qf in Jul

BETTING: 5 Dubai Champion, 6 The Dancing Pirate, 10 Havana Sprite, God Given Talent, Ruler's Pride, 12 Sovereign Glory, Henley On Thames, 14 Jumeirah Storm, Note To Self.
2025: RUBY'S ANGEL 8 5, Saffie Osborne 33-1 (H Palmer), drawn (22), 19 ran.

	12 (18) 2915 ELEVATING (5) R Hannon 9-0 J Leavy 92 GF 20-1 (9-2) Chased leaders, unable to quicken over 1f out, kept on same pace final furlong, 5th of 13, 5l behind Angels Lane (9-2) at Newbury 5f 2yo fill Listed stks (1) qf
	13 (13) 314 TOWELONTHETERRACE (23) (D) J Candlish 8-13 J Hart 93 GF 5-4 (9-8) Edged slightly right start, headed 2f out, no extra inside final furlong, lost third close home, 4th of 7, 5l behind Pure Mint (9-4) at Ripon 6f 2yo nov stks (1) qf
	14 (2) 4427 THE DANCING PIRATE (19) (BF) (F) A Balding 8-13 O Murphy 96 GF 5-2fav (9-5) Wore hood to post, disputed lead 2f out, headed entering final furlong, faded final 110yds, 7th of 18, 2¾ behind Revels (9-6) at Goodwood 6f 2yo hcp (2) qf
	15 (15) 52331 RLASTHOPE (27) (D) T Coyle & K Wood 8-10 R Dawson 91 ST 15-8 (9-7) Went early to post, kept on strongly final furlong, asserted towards finish, readily, won at Southwell 6f nov stks (5) in Jul beating Beresford Gap (9-7) by 2l, 12 ran
	16 (6) 6221 HENLEY ON THAMES (18) (D) K P De Foy 8-9 David Egan 99 GF 2-1 (9-7) Made all, shaken up over 1f out, asserted inside final furlong, cosily, won at Hamilton 6f 2yo mdn (4) qd beating Thanks Harry (9-7) by 2¼, 5 ran
	17 (7) 54156 SUPER TUSCAN (19) (D) E J-Houghton 8-9 O Carmichael (7) 96 G 28-1 (9-1) Raced far side, ridden 2f out, drifted left and kept on over 1f out, faded final 110yds, 6th of 18, 2¼ behind Revels (9-6) at Goodwood 6f 2yo hcp (2) qf in Jul
	18 (19) 5723 NOTE TO SELF (22) J & T Gosden 8-9 S Foley 91 G 10-3 (9-4) Led, ridden over 1f out, headed final 110yds, lost second close home, 3rd of 6, 1l behind Rocket Boy (9-7) at Yarmouth 7f 2yo nov stks (3) qf in Jul
	19 (3) 350 FANTASY FORCE (25) A Keatley 8-7 S De Sousa 95 G 11-1 (9-4) Prominent, ridden over 2f out, weakened inside final furlong, last of 14, 8l behind Asander (9-4) at Newcastle 6f nov stks (4) in Jul
	20 (10) 414 BEAR LEE (25) M & D Easterby 8-6 Joanna Mason 96 G 4-1 (9-8) Held up in touch towards rear, edged right over 1f out, no extra inside final furlong, 4th of 6, 2¼ behind Rogue Jewel (9-2) at York 6f 2yo fill nov stks (3) qf in Jul
	21 (1) 658 SUE'S LAST CHANCE (53) R & P Fahey 8-5 C Hardie 96 GF 12-1 (9-4) Took keen hold, close up, ridden along over 2f out, weakened over 1f out, 8th of 11, 6l behind Sirocco Sands (9-4) at York 6f 2yo nov stks (2) qd in Jun
	22 (21) 0121 BRANDENBURG (33) (D) Mrs A Duffield 8-5 L Morris 95 GF 1-1fav (9-5) Raced in last pair, progress between horses over 1f out, led final 110yds, ran on, won at Hamilton 6f 2yo hcp 0-75 (5) qf in Jul beating Tango Hotel (9-8) by 1¼

WORCESTER

SKY

NEWSBOY	BOUVERIE
5.02 MUSKERRY ROCK	5.02 MUSKERRY ROCK (NB)
5.33 MR MCWHINNY	5.33 MR MCWHINNY
6.03 SPARKLING WATER	6.03 SPARKLING WATER
6.38 ROAD TO WEMBLEY	6.38 NEWBROOK DIAMOND
7.08 WARNER'S CROSS	7.08 BABYCHINO
7.38 BROOKLYN LULLABY	7.38 GHOST JURY
8.08 STILETTO	8.08 STILETTO

GOING: Good.
COURSE: Left-handed 1m 5f oval, flat with long straights and easy turns. There are nine fences per circuit and a run-in of 220 yards.
TOP TRAINERS: F O'Brien 37-238 (15.5%), N Mulholland 35-223 (15.7%), D Skelton 29-172 (16.9%), B Pauling 28-119 (23.5%), O Murphy 26-118 (22.0%), J & A O'Neill 23-191 (12.1%), J Snowden 20-84 (23.8%), D Pipe 19-156 (12.2%), N & W Twiston-Davies 16-93 (17.2%), C Longsdon 16-105 (15.2%), James Owen 15-74 (20.3%), Dr R Newland 11-106 (10.4%).

5.02 COPYBET BOG FOR YORK TOMORROW HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m 7f £4,700 (6)

1	-12	SMUGGLERS HAVEN (43) S Bradstock 7 11-12 (SF)	125 FM
2	3-5	PALAMON (24) D Skelton 6 11-12	T Durrell 123 G
3	221	MUSKERRY ROCK (37) B D Skelton 7 11-12 (D)	F H Skelton 121 GF
4	P29	KING ROLY (32) (B) M Bowen 7 11-12 (CD)	J Bowen 126 GS
5	-24	HARRYS HOPE (28) B Pauling 8 11-13 (D)	B R Jones 124 GF
6	232	YES DAY (32) (B) J & A O'Neill 8 11-2	B Macey (5) 124 G

BETTING: 6-5 Muskerry Rock, 7-2 Smugglers Haven, 5 King Roly, 7 Harrys Hope, 8 Yes Day, 16 Palamon.

5.33 COPYBET PAY FIRST PAST THE POST HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m 10yds Winner £3,248 (10 run)

1	-34	TURPIN GOLD (49) T Lacey 10 12-0 (D)	S Sheppard 100 GS
2	245	DEFINITE DREAM (38) D Coakley 8 11-12	B J Powell 104 S
3	340	ALSHADIAN (26) O Greenall & J Guerniero 6 11-10 (D)	J Tudor 108 G
4	663	ILAO DU MOU (26) (H) T Culhane & S Barclay 8 11-6 (D)	
5	464	DEXTER (32) O Greenall & J Guerniero 9 11-5 (D)	T Wynne 100 H
6	153	GREER HILL (28) J Candlish 5 11-3 (CD) (EW)	W Shanahan (5) 104 G
7	1-3	HIRO SPOT (87) (H) A Hales 9 10-13 (BF)	K Woods 101 GF
8	141	MR MCWHINNY (32) T Ellis 8 10-11 (D) (SF)	J Andrews 101 GF
9	P65	KEEP ME POSTED (34) M Sheppard 9 10-8	H Bannister 50 G
10	322	GETAWAY JEWEL (32) M Hammond 12 10-4 (D)	B Hughes 105 GF

BETTING: 13-8 Mr McWhinny, 13-2 Turpin Gold, 7 Ilaos Du Mou, 15-2 Getaway Jewel, 8 Hiro Spot, 10 Greer Hill, 12 Definite Dream, 12 Alshadian, 12 Dexter.

6.03 COPYBET SUPPORT SAFER GAMBLING MARES' MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2m Winner £5,446 (15 run)

1	1P-	BLUE TOPAZ (279) F O'Brien 6 11-7	J Hogan 100 H
2	4-1	DATSTHEHOLYALLOIT (105) N Peville 5 11-7 (D)	B Hughes 104 S
3	9/8	DO WAH DIDDY (88) N & W Twiston-Davies 5 11-7	
4	-46	DREAMING OF THE DR (26) (H) Dr R Newland 5 11-7 L Scott (3)	
5	332	ELATED (47) B Pauling 5 11-7 (F)	B R Jones 104 G
6	6	EVENLY (6) D McCain 5 11-7	T Gillard 104 G
7	-11	LADY BEE GREAT (86) M Sheppard 7 11-7	S Sheppard 85 GY
8	2P/	NALA THE LIONESS (F36) D Killahena & G McPherson 6 11-7 (EW)	
9	2-1	SPARKLING WATER (26) (H) D Skelton 5 11-7 (D) (SF)	H Skelton 100 H
10	56-	SWEET HONEY B (219) C Boutbee-Brooks 8 11-7 (D) R McLernon	95 GS
11	P0-	WHINNY HUSTON (420) Sheila Lewis 5 11-7	Sean Houlihan 100 H
12	0	MATILDA MAID (69) S Bradstock 4 11-4	Mr D Williams (7) 100 H
13	56	PEARL KNOT (26) O Greenall & J Guerniero 6 11-4	T Wynne 81 G
14	233	TAKE THE BOAT (31) G Nicholls 4 11-4	H Bannister 103 GS
15	6	ADBA (24) Faye Ramsey 3 10-2	H Kimber 43 G

BETTING: 9-4 Sparkling Water, 4 Datstheholyalloit, 7 Take The Boat, Elated, 10 Blue Topaz, 12 Dreaming Of The Dr, Sweet Honey B, 14 Nala The Lioness.

6.38 COPYBET FOR PREMIER LEAGUE PROFIT BOOSTS NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m 4f Winner £5,446 (12 run)

1	-11	NEWBROOK DIAMOND (32) (B) Elliott (RE) 6 11-12 (D)	S Bowen 123 S
2	1-1	ROAD TO WEMBLEY (96) O Murphy 5 11-12 (SF)	Mr T Walsh (7) 127 GF
3	-11	SQUARE D'ALBONI (34) D Skelton 4 11-8 (D)	H Skelton 117 GS
4	0-5	BRIGHT LEGEND (24) Faye Bramley 6 11-10	Jack O'Neill (7) 118 S
5	2-1	HANDMEDOWNSTAR (87) Nick Schofield 6 11-7	H Cobden 120 G
6	221	ONEINTEHWELL (32) James Owen 5 11-7	J Burke 112 GF
7	21	PHANTOM GOLD (34) J Candlish 8 11-7 (CD) (EW)	L Scott (3) 106 GS
8	PP-	CADILLAC RANCH (135) L Morgan 6 11-0 (D)	Miss E Callwood (7) 106 GS
9	0-3	NOT NOW (52) N & W Twiston-Davies 5 11-0	S Twiston-Davies 89 G
10	822	SHESONNET (34) B Case 5 11-0	H Bannister 116 GS
11	8-9	DELGANY HEADLINE (28) D Skelton 4 10-10	T Durrell 80 GF
12	212	LIKELIHOODYOUSSE (26) J & A O'Neill 4 10-10	R McLernon 124 G

BETTING: 3 Newbrook Diamond, 7-2 Road To Wembley, 9-2 Square D'alboni, 15-2 Handmedownstar, 8 Likelihoodyousse, 10 Oneintehwell, 12 Phantom Gold.

7.08 COPYBET FOLLOW US ON X HANDICAP HURDLE (Div 1) (5) 2m 4f Winner £3,248 (10 run)

1	357	STARSHINE LEGEND (28) O Murphy 5 12-0	S Bowen 93 GS
2	P5	MIDNIGHT JEWEL (28) C Longsdon 10 11-0 (CD)	Lilly Pinchin 89 S
3	-25	MRS BIDDLE (284) K Woolcott 8 11-6	H Cobden 95 GY
4	169	IMCERESLIFT (40) (B) Killahena & G McPherson 8 11-4	N Slater (3) 89 GF
5	P51	WARNER'S CROSS (24) (H) Mrs S Leach 9 11-2 (D) (F)	H Reed 95 GS
6	243	GONE IN SIXTY (28) A Hales 9 10-12 (D)	K Woods 101 GF
7	P9-	COULD BE YOU (120) N Mulholland 6 10-10	B Harris (3) 63 GF
8	603	DYNAMITE DEFENCE (49) S J Davies 5 10-8	J Best 95 GS
9	532	BABYCHINO (38) A Gibbons 4 10-4 (SF)	Ms Sophie Carter (7) 102 GF
10	0-6	LUCKY IN TAIWAN (38) B Pauling 6 10-2 (EW)	B R Jones 66 GS

BETTING: 2-5 Warner's Cross, 5 Babychino, 6 Starshine Legend, Gone In Sixty, 7 Mrs Biddle, 10 Lucky In Taiwan, 12 Could Be You, 14 Midnight Jewel, Dynamite Defence.

7.38 COPYBET FOLLOW US ON X HANDICAP HURDLE (Div 2) (5) 2m 4f Winner £3,248 (9 run)

1	-60	BANNISTER (28) N Kent 9 12-0 (C)	T Broughton (3) 98 VS
2	134	BOUND FOR GLORY (28) R Stephens 4 11-12	C Gethings 88 G
3	8-3	CRAFTY GAIL (24) O Murphy 7 11-9 (BF)	S Bowen 89 GY
4	5P3	ROYAL RHYTHM (34) (B) J & A O'Neill 10 11-7	R McLernon 93 GS
5	5R3	USYK (38) N & W Davies 5 11-5 (EW)	DOUBTFUL 93 GS
6	7-P	BOSKILL BORDEN (28) (V) D Rees 7 11-0	S Fenelon (5) 76 GY
7	5	ONEHUNDREDNIGHTY (91) B Pauling 6 10-12 (BF)	B R Jones 93 GS
8	252	GHOST JURY (47) K Woolcott 7 10-10 (SF)	H Cobden 95 GS
9	-52	BROOKLYN LULLABY (50) M & D Easterby 6 10-6 (F)	H Bannister 94 G
10	9-0	COSMIC SPIRIT (64) (H) B Case 4 10-2	Mr J Stevenson (7) 90 S

BETTING: 7-2 Ghost Jury, 4 Crafty Gail, 5 Royal Rhythm, 5-1 Onehundrednighty, 6 Bound For Glory, 7 Brooklyn Lullaby, 25 Boskill Borden, Bannister.

8.08 COPYBET OVERNIGHT BEST ODDS GUARANTEED HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m 7f Winner £3,248 (16 run)

1	12P	CINNOID (47) J Snowden 6 12-0 (D)	G Sheehan 104 G
2	-75	BACK IN THE BAY (43) James Owen 7 12-0	J Burke 77 S
3	B25	OCTOBER HILL (4) D Pipe 6 11-12	DOUBTFUL 103 G
4	234	FISKARD (24) M Bowen 6 11-10	S Fenelon (5) 103 G
5	34	MISTRAL BLAZE (26) F O'Brien 8 11-2 (D) (EW)	Fern O'Brien (5) 102 G
6	798	BETTY'S TIARA (26) (B) B Pauling 8 11-10 (D)	B R Jones 109 GF
7	145	REDBRIDGE RAMBLER (32) M Keighley 8 11-9	F Keighley (5) 102 G
8	561	STILETTO (40) Mrs S Leach 8 11-9 (CD) (F)	H Cobden 102 G
9	314	FINAL ENTRY (34) (V) D Pipe 5 11-8	J Tudor 101 GS
10	353	ATREIDES (34) (V) N Mulholland 8 11-8	Mr L Gallacher (10) 101 GS
11	75P	KENZO DES BRUYERES (28) (M) Bowen 6 11-7	J Bowen 108 H
12	5P3	BARRY FIFE (28) (V) G Hamner 7 11-7	S Twiston-Davies 98 G
13	-61	THE GREAT ESCAPE (34) J & A O'Neill 11 11-6 (CD)	R McLernon 103 S
14	P21	MANCERO (28) (B) D Pipe 4 11-2 (CD) (SF)	S Bowen 104 G
15	-P3	IKIGAI STAR (34) C Longsdon 6 11-1	D Bass 105 GF
16	80-	FARH ECHO (122) D J Jeffreys 5 10-9	L Harrison 84 G
17	P-0	SIMS' LAW (67) J & A O'Neill 5 10-2	B Macey (5) 77 GS

BETTING: 3 Mancero, 11-2 Stiletto, 7 The Great Escape, Fiskardo, 10 Ikigai Star, Cinnoind, Final Entry, 14 Mistral Blaze, Atreides.

NEWSBOY	BOUVERIE
2.05 DIAMOND NEW BAY	2.05 GUADALEVIN
2.38 PEACE BELLE	2.38 PEACE BELLE
3.13 FATE'S GAMBIT	3.13 FATE'S GAMBIT
3.48 HEY HAVANA	3.48 HEY HAVANA
4.20 NATIVE INSTINCT	4.20 KING OF FURY
4.55 MAXIMUM VELOCITY	4.55 YELLOW DIAMONDS
5.30 BETWEEN ME AND U	5.30 HOSTILITY

2.05 NBT BIG THING FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (4) (2-Y-O) 6f Winner £5,400 (7 run)

1	(3)	ANGELIC MELODY J Camacho 9-2	R Sexton 68 GF
2	(5)	DIAMOND NEW BAY (26) K R Burke 9-2 (BF)	S James 68 GF
3	(6)	GUADALEVIN (27) C Fellows 9-2 (SF)	P Bradley 90 G
4	(4)	MA BLUSHIN ROSIE A Keatley 9-2	B McHugh 71 GF
5	(7)	OH SO SLOW SLOTH (9) (H) R Menzies 9-2	D Allan 72 GF
6	(1)	SARA'S SILVER GIRL (28) M & D Easterby 9-2	B Garrity 72 GF
7	(2)	SAYIDAH BAHR A K Ryan 9-2	T Eaves 72 GF

BETTING: 2 Guadalevin, 5-2 Diamond New Bay, 9-2 Sayidah Bahr, 8 Ma Blushin Rosie, 10 Sara's Silver Girl, 12 Oh So Slow Sloth, 14 Angelic Melody.

2.38 KINGMORG PARK PROPERTIES FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (3) 1m 3f Winner £6,480 (3 run)

1	(2)	44 PEACE BELLE (39) J Candlish 5 9-10 (SF)	A Mullen 105 G
2	(4)	12 ALCAETRIX (19) R Beckett 3 9-9 (BF)	DOUBTFUL 73 G
3	(3)	GREEN AREA (54) C Johnston 3 9-2	C Beasley 73 G
4	(1)	LAZY IN RED D Whillans 3 9-2	O McSweeney 73 G

BETTING: 4-9 Peace Belle, 5-2 Green Area, 16 Lazy In Red.

3.13 NORTH LAKES ENERGY - HARRY DOYLE MEMORIAL MAIDEN HANDICAP (Div 1) (6) 7f Winner £3,402 (10)

1	(9)	475 WHY BECAUSE (19) (H) P Midgley 4 9-12 (F)	D Nolan 63 SS
2	(1)	98 RENEWABLE DREAM (32) J Wainwright 4 9-11	G Sanna (5) 59 GF
3	(3)	943 REENIE'S DREAM (113) B Smart 4 9-7 (SF)	P Mulrennan 66 G
4	(8)	93 FATE'S GAMBIT (26) R Carr 3 9-7	JP Sullivan 63 SS
5	(10)	90 ZOUS JUICE (60) M & D Easterby 5 9-6 (EW)	B Garrity 52 G
6	(7)	64 BLAIRTOWN NIGHT (34) Miss L Perratt 4 9-5	D Allan 56 GF
7	(6)	26 APRIL DIAMOND (91) J Jardine 5 9-4	A Mullen 68 G
8	(2)	607 RAJAWALI (8) (B) R Rothwell 6 8-12	F McManaway 53 S
9	(4)	404 LONG SHOT (9) T Easterby 3 8-9	O McSweeney 64 GF
10	(5)	740 RUNNINMAN (19) D Whillans 3 8-7	A Brookes 55 ST

BETTING: 3 Reenie's Dream, 7-2 Why Because, 9-2 Long Shot, 6 Fate's Gambit, 8 Renewable Dream, 12 Zous Juice, April Diamond, 14 Blairtown Night.

3.48 NORTH LAKES ENERGY - HARRY DOYLE MEMORIAL MAIDEN HANDICAP (Div 2) (6) 7f Winner £3,402 (9)

1	(9)	780 STONEYWELL (9) (H) Steph Hollinshead 4 9-12	T Eaves 63 G
2	(3)	254 BIG APPLE JACK (3) M & D Easterby 4 9-9	B Garrity 66 G
3	(7)	798 UNITER (19) D Coakley 3 9-7	S James 65 ST
4	(1)	-05 DANRANA (18) (H) Fionn McSharry 3 9-6	H Russell 63 G
5	(7)	252 HEY HAVANA (16) (V) G Harker 3 9-5 (F)	C Beasley 65 GF
6	(8)	876 TAGO MAGO (15) S England 3 9-5 (CD)	Shane Gray 68 SF
7	(2)	282 SUPREME DANCER (30) R & P Fahey 3 9-4 (SF)	E Tindall (5) 67 FM
8	(6)	-05 OUR NICOLA (218) D & N Barron 4 8-12	W Pyle 57 G
9	(4)	570 AGRIC RANGER (12) T Easterby 3 8-9	O McSweeney 57 G

BETTING: 9-4 Hey Havana, 9-2 Big Apple Jack, Danrana, 5 Supreme Dancer, 10 Uniter, 12 Our Nicola, Tago Mago, 14 Stoneywell, 25 Agric Ranger.

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5.25 UNIBET INTERACTIVE MAIDEN STAKES (4) 7f Winner £5,400 (9 run)

1	(8)	475 WHY BECAUSE (19) (H) P Midgley 4 9-12 (F)	D Nolan 63 SS
2	(1)	98 RENEWABLE DREAM (32) J Wainwright 4 9-11	G Sanna (5) 59 GF
3	(3)	943 REENIE'S DREAM (113) B Smart 4 9-7 (SF)	P Mulrennan 66 G
4	(8)	93 FATE'S GAMBIT (26) R Carr 3 9-7	JP Sullivan 63 SS
5	(10)	90 ZOUS JUICE (60) M & D Easterby 5 9-6 (EW)	B Garrity 52 G
6	(7)	64 BLAIRTOWN NIGHT (34) Miss L Perratt 4 9-5	D Allan 56 GF
7	(6)	26 APRIL DIAMOND (91) J Jardine 5 9-4	A Mullen 68 G
8	(2)	607 RAJAWALI (8) (B) R Rothwell 6 8-12	F McManaway 53 S
9	(4)	404 LONG SHOT (9) T Easterby 3 8-9	O McSweeney 64 GF
10	(5)	740 RUNNINMAN (19) D Whillans 3 8-7	A Brookes 55 ST

BETTING: 9-4 Why Because, 9-2 Renewable Dream, 9-2 Reenie's Dream, 8 Fate's Gambit, 10 Long Shot, 12 Zous Juice, 14 Blairtown Night, 16 Runninman.

5.58 UNIBET 3 UNIBOOSTS A DAY NURSERY (6) (2-Y-O) 7f Winner £3,140 (13 run)

1	(1)	859 SAKOVIN (66) R Hughes 9-9	F Marsh 67 G
2	(3)	NO MORE PINO (40) Charlie Pike 9-9	S Cronin (5) 66 GF
3	(7)	063 KOCHELLA (14) Henry Dwyer (AUS) 9-9 (SF)	H Davies 68 SS
4	(13)	46 BEACH AHEAD (14) G & J Moore 9-9	Toby Moore (7) 68 GS
5	(4)	839 HAVANA COURT (28) W Knight 9-6	C Fallon 65 SS
6	(6)	269 DREAM ON KENT (22) P E Evans 9-6 (EW)	J Fagan 72 G
7	(8)	486 CHILLI (34) (H) E J-Houghton 9-6	C Bishop 67 GS
8	(2)	998 PERFECT HOPE (26) W Ward 9-6	S M Levey 63 GF
9	(1)	228 TEN YEAR STRETCH (22) J Osborne 9-2	W Carver 71 G
10	(10)	967 PRINTING MACE (49) (B) C Dunha 9-2	S Donohoe 66 G
11	(9)	978 AMINATY (20) A Balding 8-13	D Muscutt 64 G
12	(5)	798 ALPACA'S BULLET (36) Adam Kirby 8-9	T Heard 69 G
13	(12)	486 THE KALONJI MAN (42) (B) R Hamon 8-6	S D Beach 67 GS

BETTING: 3 Kochella, 4 Chilli, 8 Havana Court, Aminaty, 10 Beach Ahead, Sakovin, 12 Dream On Kent, 16 The Kalonji Man, Perfect Hope, Ten Year Stretch.

6.30 UNIBET/BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF NOVICE STAKES (3) (2-Y-O) 7f Winner £7,020 (13 run)

1	(13)	1 SONIC ANGEL (19) S & E Crisford 9-11 (F)	J Mitchell 76 SS
2	(4)	ALGAIBABANE (14) T Gossden 9-4	B Sayette 46 ST
3	(6)	69 CARROW ROAD (44) C Banham 9-4	J Haynes 46 ST
4	(6)	GIVE HAND HARVEY Charlton 9-4	L Edmunds 46 ST
5	(1)	HOSHI A King 9-4	D Probert 46 ST
6	(2)	LIBERTY'S HALL James Owen 9-4	C Fallon 46 ST
7	(10)	PERFECT HEIR A Balding 9-4	Jason Watson 46 ST
8	(12)	SHADDOCK R Beckett 9-4	R Clutterbuck 46 ST
9	(5)	STYCH A King 9-4	C Bishop 46 ST
10	(11)	752 THUNDER HOME (27) James Horton 9-4 (SF)	B Loughnane 85 G
11	(9)	TIME TO CLIMB S Williams 9-4	M Ghiani 85 G
12	(7)	UNCLE ZELLO J Channon 9-4 (EW)	G Bass 85 G
13	(3)	LADY NENAZ T Ward 8-13	S M Levey 85 G

BETTING: 5-2 Sonic Angel,

YORK TOMORROW ITV: 1.50-4.10 JACKPOT

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1.50 SKY BET LOWTHER STAKES (FILLIES' GROUP 2) (1) (2-Y-0) 6f Winner £141,775 (19 run)

1	(8)	167	ALTA REGINA	(26) H Al Jehani (UAE)	9-2		C Rodriguez
2	(11)	41	ANGELS PASSING	(77) K Ryan 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	K Stott
3	(13)	321041	BIG NEGOTIATOR	(29) (V) P Twomey (IRE)	9-2 (C)	.....	W J Lee
4	(9)	31019	BINT ARCHANGE	(33) R Hughes 9-2	.....	.....	R L Moore
5	(3)	32510	CROWNBREAKER	(22) K P De Foy 9-2	.....	.....	David Egan
6	(19)	210	CRYSTAL QUEEN	(64) R & P Fahey 9-2	.....	.....	C Beasley
7	(17)	6093	DESERT SANDS	(9) I Mohammed & J Santos 9-2	.....	.....	S De Sousa
8	(4)	1	IN THE BLACK	(57) G Oldroyd 9-2	.....	.....	P J McDonald
9	(14)	195	JOLIVETTE	(41) A Balding 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	W Buick
10	(15)	112	LIBERTANGO	(41) G Boughey 9-2 (BF, D)	.....	.....	B Loughnane
11	(18)	3311	LIVENKA	(17) G M Lyons (IRE)	9-2 (D)	.....	C T Keane
12	(2)	1104	LOVE A GIGGLE	(19) K R Burke 9-2 (BF, C)	.....	.....	C Lee
13	(7)	15	MISS KODI	(26) C Cox 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	Rossa Ryan
14	(16)	121	MOONRISE	(26) A Balding 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	O Murphy
15	(12)	14	RUBY MOON	(41) R & P Fahey 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	Olsein Orr
16	(1)	2518	SEXY CHICK	(6) R Spencer 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	G Wood
17	(5)	172	SHIMMERING SUN	(29) Harry Eustace 9-2	.....	.....	T Marquand
18	(6)	21	STAR OF STATE	(35) J P O'Brien (IRE)	9-2 (D)	.....	D Browne McMonagle
19	(10)	101	WILD BLOSSOM	(22) K R Burke (IRE)	.....	.....	James Doyle

BETTING: 13-8 Libertango, 7-2 Star Of State, 7 Wild Blossom, Livenka, 12 Moonrise, 16 In The Black, 20 Ruby Moon, Miss Kodi, Shimmering Sun.
2025: ROYAL FIXATION 9-2, William Buick 5-2 JtFav (E Walker), drawn (11), 11 ran.

2.25 HARRY'S HALF MILLION BY GOFFS (2) (2-Y-0) 6f Winner £293,184 (22 run)

1	(4)	21111	TOKAIDO	(32) Miss A Murphy 9-9 (D)	.....	.....	Tony Piccone
2	(12)	312124	FURTURRA	(40) T Easterby 9-7 (D)	.....	.....	S B Kirrane
3	(7)	310	MIND THOSE STEPS	(26) T Easterby 9-7 (D)	.....	.....	D Allan
4	(14)	1104	WHERE LOVE LIVES	(21) Donnacha O'Brien (IRE)	9-7	.....	B Loughnane
5	(19)	4143	THE BOOKKEEPER	(21) R Hughes 9-5	.....	.....	H Crouch
6	(17)	21211	SUN GODDESS	(11) A P O'Brien (IRE)	9-4 (D)	.....	R L Moore
7	(5)	231	BATTLE FEVER	(19) K Ryan 9-2	.....	.....	K Stott
8	(16)	260	BLAKE'S MONARCH	(61) I Furtado 9-2	.....	.....	S De Sousa
9	(10)	119	GLORIOUS GAME	(26) H Palmer 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	O Murphy
10	(3)	62113	INNICHEN	(20) J Channon 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	T Marquand
11	(20)	261	IT DUNT MARRA	(26) Ollie Sangster 9-2	.....	.....	S Donohoe
12	(8)	211	KODIAK BREEZE	(50) K Ryan 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	Shane Gray
13	(21)	51	PRIDE OF TOLEDO	(26) C Cox 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	C Rodriguez
14	(11)	11	QUILLAN	(33) D & N Barron 9-2	.....	.....	Kaiya Fraser
15	(6)	11	SATELLITE OF LOVE	(33) C Cox 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	Rossa Ryan
16	(18)	63	SECRET SOCIETY	(38) C Cox 9-2	.....	.....	D Browne McMonagle
17	(2)	31	THEBESTHASYETOCOME	(61) A Keatley 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	MP Sheehy
18	(13)	314	WEEKEND ROAR	(17) H Palmer 9-2 (D)	.....	.....	James Doyle
19	(9)	1900	NIEWIADOMA	(33) (B) A Watson 8-11	.....	.....	G Mangan
20	(15)	2106	ROLLTHEDICEBABY	(19) R Hannon 8-11 (D)	.....	.....	S M Levey
21	(22)	321	SPEED OF SOUND	(15) R Spencer 8-11 (D)	.....	.....	S Osborne
22	(1)	154362	VOLLERING	(12) A Watson 8-11	.....	.....	P-L Jamin

BETTING: 11-10 Sun Goddess, 7-2 Tokaido, 6 Satellite Of Love, 12 Quillan, 16 Where Love Lives, 20 Innichen, Glorious Game, Pride Of Toledo.
2025: SONG OF THE CLYDE 9-2, Rossa Ryan 15-2 C Cox, drawn (10), 21 ran.

3.00 SIR KEVIN SINFELD 7 IN 7 GRAND FINALE HANDICAP (HERITAGE HANDICAP) (2) 1m Winner £77,310 (17 run)

1	(11)	67-942	POINT LYNAS	(25) (H) E Bethell 7-9-12 (CD)	.....	.....	C Rodriguez
2	(1)	-31061	ARCTIC DAWN	(12) D & C Kubler 5-9-10	.....	.....	H Crouch
3	(9)	258429	CERULEAN BAY	(12) D O'Meara 5-9-9 (D)	.....	.....	D Tudhope
4	(8)	21/1	CENTIGRADE	(63) R Beckett 4-9-6 (D)	.....	.....	Rossa Ryan
5	(15)	213401	THE LOST KING	(40) A Balding 4-9-6 (CD)	.....	.....	O Murphy
6	(10)	70-702	BULLET POINT	(12) W Haggas 5-9-5 (BF, CD)	.....	.....	T Marquand
7	(4)	9-0603	CHECKANDCHALLENGE	(40) W Knight 7-9-3 (D)	.....	.....	C Shepherd
8	(5)	160-48	BLUE BROTHER	(20) H Al Jehani (UAE)	5-9-2 (D)	.....	James Doyle
9	(12)	11-726	ETERNAL FORCE	(56) (B) W Haggas 4-9-2 (BF, D)	.....	.....	D Browne McMonagle
10	(17)	7-1310	MEZCALA	(26) J Channon 4-9-2 (D)	.....	.....	W Buick
11	(7)	060757	HAWKSBILL	(20) R Spencer 4-8-10 (D)	.....	.....	G Wood
12	(16)	100799	MIRSKY	(19) D O'Meara 7-8-11 (BF, D)	.....	.....	M Winn
13	(4)	56-070	NIZAM	(63) I Williams 4-8-10 (D)	.....	.....	C Lee
14	(2)	9-0923	YORKSHIRE	(12) E Bethell 6-8-10	.....	.....	P J McDonald
15	(13)	-90213	AALTO	(26) I Williams 6-8-8	.....	.....	S Osborne
16	(14)	1-8367	SPELL MASTER	(19) Oli Rix 4-8-7	.....	.....	R Dawson
17	(3)	-70602	THE ANGEL KING	(18) I Williams 4-8-7	.....	.....	E Greatrex

BETTING: 9-2 Centigrade, 6 Mezcala, Bullet Point, 15-2 Blue Brother, 8 The Lost King, 10 Point Lynas, 12 Eternal Force, Aalto.
2025: BULLET POINT 4-9-12, Tom Marquand 15-8 Fav (W Haggas), drawn (3), 17 ran.

3.35 LEGENDS GLOBAL YORKSHIRE OAKS (FILLIES' AND MARES' GROUP 1) (1) 1m 4f Winner £340,260 (9 run)

1	(6)	71-121	KALPANA	(26) A Balding 5-9-9 (D)	.....	.....	C T Keane
13-2 (9-6) Won at Ascot 1m 4f Grp 1 (1) gf in Jul beating Calandagan (9-9) by 1½l, 9 ran							
2	(4)	6-1528	MINNIE HAUKE	(26) A P O'Brien (IRE)	4-9-9 (CD)	.....	R L Moore
17-2 (9-6) 8th of 9, 18l behind Kalpana (9-6) at Ascot 1m 4f Grp 1 (1) gf in Jul							
3	(1)	335-11	TATTYCORA	(47) R Beckett 4-9-9 (D)	.....	.....	E Greatrex
11-2 (9-7) Won at Newmarket 1m 4f Grp 2 flls (1) gf in Jul beating Tiffany (9-7) by 4½l, 9 ran							
4	(8)	2-1216	EARTH SHOT	(33) W Haggas 3-9-0 (BF, D)	.....	.....	James Doyle
9-4fav (9-2) 6th of 10, 12l behind Johanna Walsh (9-2) at Curragh 1m 4f 3yo Fll Grp 1 (1) gf							
5	(3)	-40132	INIS MOR	(33) D Menuisier 3-9-0	.....	.....	O Murphy
11-2 (9-2) 2nd of 10, 4l behind Johanna Walsh (9-2) at Curragh 1m 4f 3yo Fll Grp 1 (1) gf in Jul							
6	(7)	3-3121	JOHANNA WALSH	(33) J P O'Brien (IRE)	3-9-0 (D)	.....	D Browne McMonagle
7-2 (9-2) Won at Curragh 1m 4f 3yo Fll Grp 1 (1) gf in Jul beating Inis Mor (9-2) by 4l, 10 ran							
7	(2)	14-127	LEGACY LINK	(63) J & T Gosden 3-9-0 (BF, C)	.....	.....	W Buick
13-8fav (9-2) 7th of 12, 8l behind Earth Shot (9-2) at Royal Ascot 1m 4f 3yo fll Grp 2 (1) gf							
8	(9)	11134	SPARAN NUA	(14) J S Bolger (IRE)	3-9-0 (BF, D)	.....	Rossa Ryan
6-4fav (9-2) 4th of 8, 3l behind Isaac Newton (9-2) at Leopardstown 1m Grp 3 (1) gd							
9	(5)	91-430	SUGAR ISLAND	(33) A P O'Brien (IRE)	3-9-0	.....	R P Whelan
20-1 (9-2) Last of 10, 31l behind Johanna Walsh (9-2) at Curragh 1m 4f 3yo Fll Grp 1 (1) gf							

BETTING: 5-4 Kalpana, 7-2 Minnie Hauk, 9-2 Johanna Walsh, 10 Tattycoram, 14 Inis Mor, 16 Earth Shot, Legacy Link, 20 Sparan Nua, 50 Sugar Island.
2025: MINNIE HAUKE 3-9-0, Ryan Moore 8-15 Fav (A P O'Brien), drawn (4), 4 ran.

4.10 BRITISH EBF & SIR HENRY CECIL GALTRES STAKES (FILLIES' AND MARES' LISTED) (1) 1m 4f Winner £56,710 (15 run)

1	(5)	119-27	ASHARIBA	(55) D Menuisier 5-9-9	.....	.....	S M Levey
2	(12)	-44222	CLUB CLASS	(33) J Fanshawe 4-9-9 (D)	.....	.....	M Ghiani
3	(11)	30-243	MERVEILLEUX LAPIN	(27) Owen Burrows 4-9-9	.....	.....	C Rodriguez
4	(8)	3141-1	MORROPHORE	(215) J & T Gosden 5-9-9	.....	.....	R L Moore
5	(3)	17-253	PERFECT YOUR CRAFT	(43) P Twomey (IRE)	4-9-9 (BF, D)	.....	W J Lee
6	(7)	513-42	RHAPSODY	(33) W Haggas 4-9-9 (C)	.....	.....	T Marquand
7	(10)	0121-6	RYKA	(111) D O'Meara 4-9-9 (D)	.....	.....	D Tudhope
8	(2)	1-34	A LA PROCHAINE	(76) R Beckett 3-9-0	.....	.....	James Doyle
9	(15)	2-3213	CAPICHERA	(31) E Walker 3-9-0 (BF)	.....	.....	K Shoemark
10	(6)	1-0387	K SARRA	(33) (B) R Beckett 3-9-0	.....	.....	Rossa Ryan
11	(9)	1-1252	PRIZELAND	(34) A Balding 3-9-0 (D)	.....	.....	O Murphy
12	(14)	221	SUMMERSON	(23) (H) R Varian 3-9-0 (D)	.....	.....	R Dawson
13	(1)	2-6124	SUNSHINE STAR	(19) J & T Gosden 3-9-0	.....	.....	B Loughnane
14	(4)	32212	VAUNTINGLY	(26) J P O'Brien (IRE)	3-9-0	.....	D Browne McMonagle
15	(13)	1	WITHOUT PREJUDICE	(20) J & T Gosden 3-9-0	.....	.....	W Buick

BETTING: 10-3 Morrophore, 9-2 Rhapsody, 11-2 A La Prochaine, 13-2 Without Prejudice, 8 Vauntingly, 10 Prizeland, 12 Summerston, 14 Ryka.
2025: CHARLOTTE'S WEB 4-9-9, Daniel Tudhope 11-4 JtFav (S & E Crisford), drawn (3), 9 ran.

4.45 MEWS HOTEL OSSETT EBF STALLIONS NURSERY (2) (2-Y-0) 7f Winner £51,540 (22 run)

1	(13)	1517	BIG CIGAR	(21) R & P Fahey 9-9 (C)	.....	.....	E Tindall (5)
2	(20)	191	REVELS	(20) K R Burke 9-5 (D)	.....	.....	S James
3	(2)	51319	SHADOW KING	(21) (B) R Hannan 9-4 (D)	.....	.....	S M Levey
4	(4)	211	PERFECT NATION	(16) G Boughey 9-3 (D)	.....	.....	B Loughnane
5	(5)	12	SOLDIER OF THE SEA	(30) W Knight 9-1 (BF)	.....	.....	H Crouch
6	(16)	311	WELEYFF	(19) E Bethell 9-1 (D)	.....	.....	Olsein Orr
7	(21)	222	RISEING TIGER	(24) A Balding 8-13 (BF)	.....	.....	O Murphy
8	(1)	15305	MY A'ALI BABA	(8) P Evans 8-12	.....	.....	S Osborne
9	(7)	65811	BYMIDDAYTOMORROW	(13) E Walker 8-12 (D)	.....	.....	T Marquand
10	(10)	01022	THE GINGER KID	(21) E Walker 8-12	.....	.....	K Shoemark
11	(11)	012	MIRZIMAAN	(26) G Boughey 8-11 (BF)	.....	.....	W Buick
12	(14)	412	TELEGRAPHIC	(18) C Johnston 8-11 (D)	.....	.....	C Shepherd
13	(12)	4315	CAERULEUS	(21) J Butler 8-10	.....	.....	David Egan
14	(9)	136	MIA FANTASIA	(11) H Palmer 8-8 (BF, D)	.....	.....	M Ghiani
15	(8)	321	ROOSIKE	(24) R Hughes 8-8 (D)	.....	.....	J Leavy
16	(22)	902231	KOODINI	(29) H Palmer 8-3 (D)	.....	.....	A Brookes
17	(19)	9230	HIGH HAZARD	(24) H Palmer 8-2	.....	.....	C Hardie
18	(6)	422	REGAL TIGER	(31) H Palmer 8-2 (BF)	.....	.....	A Mullen
19	(15)	55143	THEHEATISON	(12) Nick Schollfield 8-2	.....	.....	S De Sousa
20	(18)	5662	HIGH CALIBRE	(14) R Hannan 8-2	.....	.....	S D Bowen
21	(17)	65370	RBFLYING	(21) T Easterby 8-2	.....	.....	D Fentiman
22	(3)	3551	FASTHOPE	(44) B Ellison 8-2	.....	.....	T Kiely-Marshall (5)

BETTING: 9-2 Mia Fantasia, 6 Rising Tiger, 13-2 Weleyff, 7 Revels, 8 Mirzimaan, Perfect Nation, 12 The Ginger Kid, 14 Bymiddaytomorrow.
2025: STELLAR SUNRISE 9-7, Olsein Murphy 10-3 Fav (A Balding), drawn (19), 18 ran.

5.20 BRITISH EBF FILLIES' HANDICAP (2) 7f Winner £51,540 (21 run)

1	(4)	119116	BELLARCHI	(44) G Tuer 5-10-0 (D)	.....	.....	P-L Jamin
2	(6)	-11055	ROYAL VELVET	(22) W Knight 5-9-12 (CD)	.....	.....	Conor Whiteley (5)
3	(17)	2-6050	MUBASIMAH	(62) A Balding 3-9-5 (D)	.....	.....	P J McDonald
4	(1)	14321	LAM YAI	(29) K R Burke 3-9-3	.....	.....	C Lee
5	(16)	1-1700	JUST CALL ME ANGEL	(23) E Dunlop 3-9-1 (D)	.....	.....	Rossa Ryan
6	(12)	427611	TRYST	(19) G Boughey 3-9-0 (D)	.....	.....	B Loughnane
7	(18)	4411	CARNIVAL OF LIGHT	(20) C Johnston 4-9-0 (D)	.....	.....	O Stammers
8	(9)	42-289	BELLA LYRA	(75) R Hughes 3-8-13	.....	.....	F Marsh
9	(7)	214-50	OOLONG POOBONG	(64) E Bethell 4-8-13 (D)	.....	.....	Olsein Orr
10	(13)	746467	FIGJAM	(12) K Scott 3-8-11	.....	.....	R Dawson
11	(21)	051544	BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU	(23) B Haslam 4-8-11	.....	.....	A Mullen
12	(3)	12-4	CAIM	(86) E Bethell 3-8-10 (D)	.....	.....	D Tudhope
13	(10)	1-3215	ALBAYDAA	(57) W Haggas 3-8-2 (BF, D)	.....	.....	T Marquand
14	(8)	464207	PERFECT PART	(33) B Ellison 4-8-9	.....	.....	T Kiely-Marshall (5)
15	(9)	61126	MACHADADOP	(23) A Balding 3-8-9 (BF, D)	.....	.....	O Murphy
16	(15)	211	STARLIGHT LASS	(43) J & T Gosden 3-8-8	.....	.....	S Osborne
17	(20)	0-1693	STARFINCH	(28) Harry Eustace 3-8-7	.....	.....	G Wood
18	(14)	-11413	SECRET HISTORY	(23) (H) E Walker 3-8-4 (BF, D)	.....	.....	E Greatrex
19	(5)	-82222	COTAI BELLE	(29) R & P Fahey 3-8-2 (BF)	.....	.....	C Hardie
20	(2)	722222	WOOHOO	(13) J Goldie 5-8-2	.....	.....	Lauren Young (5)
21	(11)	234-11	ZOOELLA	(27) R Beckett 3-8-2	.....	.....	S De Sousa

BETTING: 3 Lam Yai, 9-2 Starlight Lass, 8 Albaydaa, 10 Secret History, Bellarchi, Carnival Of Light, Tryst, 12 Royal Velvet, Zooella.
2025: No corresponding race.



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